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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS.

TO-DAY.
(March 31.)

Annual Meeting of Green Island Cement Co., Exchange Building, 12 noon.

Annual Meeting of the Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., 11 a.m.

Annual Meeting of Members, Hong Kong Club, 5.30 p.m.

Annual Meeting of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders, 6 p.m.

Annual Meeting of Hong Kong Lawn Tennis Association, 6 p.m.

Helena May Institute, Concert, 5.30 p.m.

Lammert's Sale of Valuable Postage Stamps, Sales Room, 5.15 p.m.

Hong Kong Cricket Club Tennis Tournament:—Open Singles: S. A. Rumjahn *v.* J. A. E. Cassumbhoy (stand court).

Queen's Theatre: "Alibi."

King's Theatre: "Confessions of a Co-ed."

Central Theatre: "To-night or Never."

Star Theatre: "Say It With Songs."

World Theatre: "Springtime" (Chinese film).

Tea Dances at King's Restaurant and Hong Kong Hotel; Dinner Dances at Hong Kong Hotel, Peninsula Hotel and King's Restaurant; Police Recreation Club Dance at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY.
(April 1.)

Charity Concert in Aid of Shanghai Relief Fund, St. Paul's College 8 p.m.

Painting Exhibition in St. Paul's College, 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

St. Paul's College Annual Athletic Sports, Caroline Hill, 1.30 p.m.

Friday Morning Meeting at Helena May Institute, 10.30 a.m.

Hong Kong Cricket Club Tennis Tournament:—Open Singles: E. C. Fincher *v.* Ho Ka Lau (stand court); Open Doubles: S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn *v.* Chiu Chun Chiu and W. C. Hung.

Hockey: Club "A" *v.* Borderers, King's Park, 5.15 p.m.

King's Theatre: "Confessions of a Co-ed."

Queen's Theatre: "Alibi."

Central Theatre: "Seed."

World Theatre: "White Shadows."

Star Theatre: "Say It With Songs."

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European Mail:—Outward: Europe *via* Siberia (Pres. Madison) 6 p.m.

AIRMEN WHO GAMBLE WITH DEATH.

SPEED FLIGHTS WITH NEW AEROPLANES.

TEST THAT TRIES EVEN AN IRON NERVE.

BY MAJOR C. C. TURNER,
"DAILY TELEGRAPH" AVIATION CORRESPONDENT.

Alone in the vast space between blue sky and an ocean of cloud which hides the earth, a test pilot is flying a new type.

Four miles below a man in a field hears the distant murmur of engine, looks up, sees nothing.

In solitute the pilot is about to dive the aeroplane at its highest attainable speed in order to find out if any part of it has a tendency to "flutter," or if at this tremendous speed the controls will function. If anything goes wrong he may have to leave by parachute, which is not always easy.

Before he starts he makes sure his parachute harness is all right, rapidly looks at his dozen different instruments, and gives a turn to the roll writing pad strapped to his knee.

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With scarcely any diminution of speed the machine is brought off the vertical and, still far above the clouds, its path becomes less steep.

Gradually flattening out, the pilot adjusts throttle lever and petrol and oil-feed, and then coolly and rapidly writes. Presently he is deafened by the sudden change of pressure.

I could give the names of four or five pilots who are doing this sort of thing at the present time; but the list would be incomplete. The maximum velocity dive is a test of the moment, for besides our new Fighters and Day Bombers replacements of the Day and Night Fighter class are being prepared.

CRITICAL ORDEAL.

The parachute has made the test pilot's task safer, but at the same time it has made it possible for him habitually to carry out tests which a few years ago made heavier demands upon him. In a word, it has hastened progress.

Still, the first flight of a new type of a high performance aircraft is even to-day a somewhat critical affair, and there are designers who simply cannot bear to witness it. After the first few control-feeling tests, and when maximum speed, diving speed, and spinning tests begin, anxiety continues.

The problem of wing or tail "flutter" has beset design at every stage from 50 m.p.h. to the Schneider racer's 400.

"Flutter" has undoubtedly killed many a pilot, not in all cases through structural collapse, but by its violence incapacitating mind and body. And throughout the history of flying pilots have gone up deliberately to provoke it.

The pilots, backed up by the scientists, have won, and although "flutter" will continue to manifest itself with every big stage in speed, there is no type adopted for service now which is subject to it.

Recently a R.A.F. test pilot was steadily flying along when, apparently without cause, the tail of the machine began violently to oscillate.

The pilot tried in vain to retain control, but the machine turned right over, a fortunate thing, en-

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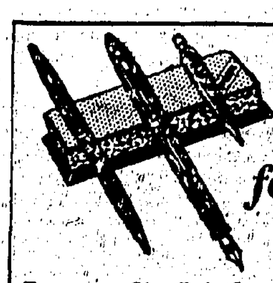

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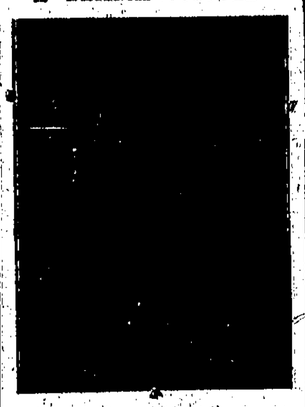

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BRITAIN NOW FIFTH OF THE NATIONS.

Although the abolition of submarines has been repeatedly urged by Great Britain on humanitarian grounds, their value for war purposes is rated very high by the Admiralty, and it is no secret that in the post-war system of Empire defence these vessels are cast for a most important *rôle*, writes the *Daily Telegraph* naval correspondent.

That being so, it is pertinent to call attention to the rapid decline in our submarine strength. Ten years ago we were the first submarine Power in the world; today we have sunk to fifth place, coming after France, the United States, Japan, and Italy, in that order.

Twelve years is the official life of a submarine, and at the end of this year we shall possess only twenty-six boats inside this age limit and therefore fully effective. In recent years the wastage in submarine tonnage due to obsolescence has been enormous.

During the past two years twenty-nine boats have become over-age, and seven more will fall out in the coming year, making a total of thirty-six in as many months. If these old craft are retained on the active list it will simply be for "show purposes."

Here are some of the duties which would be assigned to British submarines if a national emergency developed:

Patrolling the trade routes for commerce protection and anti-submarine work;

Defending home and overseas ports against enemy raiders;

Co-operating with the battle-fleet;

Long-range scouting and "shadowing" in enemy waters.

During the war we found 150 submarine inadequate for these duties, yet we have now only twenty-six, and some of these will not be available for another year or so. The position is causing serious anxiety, the more so in view of the phenomenal growth of foreign submarine flotillas.

In the past two years France has completed and laid down more submarines than our present effective total, which is also exceeded by the number of new Italian boats now on the stocks.

Britain's submarine navy is disappearing by "wastage from the bottom," and the measures so far taken to replace lost tonnage have been quite inadequate.

In naval circles the hope is cherished that a large annual quota of submarines will be included in the long-term programme which will probably be introduced next year.

THE MELTING DOWN OF GOLD.

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abling him the more easily to jump out with his parachute, the whole of the tail piece at the same time breaking off. It was one of a number of occurrences which, compared together, pointed a remedy.

PHYSICAL STRAIN.

The causes of "flutter" are various, but "periodicity" is one of them. Engineers know that a critical vibrational phase at which it is liable to break, and if certain relations between the explosions in the cylinders and the vibrations of the crankshaft are set up the result is "periodicity," or what the musician would call a "harmonic."

Apart from the violent stresses it imposes on the structure, there is a terrific physical strain on the pilot, who finds himself suddenly, as it were, in the grip of an invisible monster that tries to wrest the controls out of his hand.

The control surfaces oscillating violently to the tune of perhaps 800 per minute react on the controls. Pandemonium in the cockpit; and the pilot's hands, knees, and wrists are bruised and wrenched.

Usually instant stopping of the engine is a remedy, but there have been cases when the pilot was unable to do this in time.

The problem of "flutter" has been overcome, and its recurrence is no longer unpreventable except in entirely new types and at new stages in the progress of speed. Thus, as recently as last September Squadron Leader Orlebar, who, besides being C.O., was test pilot of the High Speed Flight, experienced wing "flutter" when flying one of the new racers at more than 360 m.p.h.

"SALT OF THE AIR."

It was perhaps fortunate so experienced a pilot was in the machine. He was immediately able to stop the engine, and although observers below "gave him up," he made a successful descent, lucky in finding a clear space of water.

The testing of a new aeroplane after preliminary and type trials relates to its rate of climb, its take-off and landing, its stalling speed, its stability and manœvrability in all movements, its control at terminal velocity, and so on.

There is a vast amount of test flying, and I have hurriedly made a list of thirty men engaged solely on this work. Probably there are a dozen more of them at least. Some are Air Ministry pilots, some are permanently employed by manufacturers, and there are "free lances."

The test pilots are the "salt of the air." Flying owes almost everything to them, and the standard today, except in the detail of personal courage, which was always the same, is higher than ever.

The test pilot must be no mean scientist. He is, or should be, consulted by the designer at every stage. He is the one man who knows what is wrong, and why it is wrong. He is an authority on design and on aerodynamics, on the engine, on civil and military operation, on tactics even.

CAUTION WITH DARING.

He has to watch his ten or a dozen instruments. He must always fly largely by instrument, and in difficult circumstance he must take accurate notes of all experiences. Caution must be his strong suit, for no test pilot without that quality would long survive, and at any rate his counsels would be valueless.

An experienced test pilot will explain in ten minutes more of the peculiarities of a new aeroplane than an ordinary pilot could in ten weeks. He is a doctor chosen for accurate diagnosis. The wise designer listens to him all the time.

One of the besetting troubles of aircraft has been that of "spinning", which again, entirely owing to the work of test pilots, is now understood and overcome. In fact, there is no longer any excuse for designing an aeroplane which has a tendency to spin, or which, if by any chance got into one, cannot quickly be got out of it again by a pilot of average skill.

Spinning has almost certainly been a more prolific cause of fatal accidents even than "flutter," and in this eventual defeat the test pilot has played his part.

WANDERING ENGLISHWOMAN.

GERMAN MYSTERY FOR SCOTLAND YARD.

Bremen.—Unless Scotland Yard is able, during the next day or two, to throw light upon her identity an agitated Englishwoman who has been a guest since February 2 of the police of Bremerhaven will be taken to a local home.

"I have completely lost my memory," she told Inspector Richter, of the Bremerhaven police, when she called at the police station to seek assistance.

Inspector Richter arranged for her accommodation in a cell at the station, and then got into touch with Scotland Yard. Shortly afterwards the woman, who possessed neither identity papers nor personal effects, told the inspector that she believed her name was Florence Dorothy Dale, and that she was 46 years of age.

Lived in Surrey.

She mentioned that she had lived near Englefield Green, Egham, in Surrey.

She has forwarded to Queen Mary two letters in which, after explaining that she is an Englishwoman who was born in London, she asked her Majesty to request either the Foreign Office or the Home Office to arrange for her return.

This morning the wife of the British Consul here called on her, but although the unlucky woman strove to recall her identity she failed to do so.

Inspector Richter told me this afternoon that the case was one of the strangest of its kind within his experience.

"Her language and her actions," said the Inspector (who speaks English himself fluently), "show our guest to be a person of education, but how or why she has turned up in Bremerhaven is a mystery. She says she does not know German, but I fancy that before coming here she must have stayed in other German towns."

The woman is 5ft. tall, of slender build, with blue-grey eyes and medium blonde hair mixed with grey.

POLICE ARRIVED TOO SOON.

STORY OF PLOT TO ROB WAREHOUSE.

A burglar alarm that went off at the wrong time and upset the plans of the police was mentioned at the Old Bailey when the story was told of a plot to break into a City warehouse, containing furs valued at £15,000.

Isaac Malakoff, 32, french polisher, and Walter Lewis, 34, traveller, were charged with attempting to break and enter premises in Artillery-lane, E.

Malakoff was found guilty and sentenced to twenty-two months' hard labour, and recommended for deportation. Lewis was found not guilty.

Mr. G. G. Raphael, prosecuting, said that although only two men were before the Court at least five men were alleged to have been concerned. He described how, on Jan. 9, Detective-sergeants Salisbury and Greeno were concealed on the warehouse premises. At the same time Malakoff was hiding next door in a toy bazaar. At 10.30 in the morning Malakoff was seen to admit two men to the bazaar. Lewis and another man were seen about outside.

BAFFLING "PHANTOM" CRIME.

FORMER LONDONER FOUND SHOT.

New York.—The "phantom" murder of a wealthy manufacturer of surgical instruments, Roderick Roberts, a former Londoner, is baffling the Brooklyn police.

Mr. Roberts was found dead in his office by his wife, who supposed that he had died of heart failure, until the undertaker discovered a minute but deadly wound on the body—the chemist had been shot through the heart.

No revolver was found, and the theory of robbery as a motive for the crime had to be shelved when it was found that a large sum of money was lying in the open safe.

Mr. Reginald Roderick Roberts, manager of Messrs. Prosser, Roberts and Co., chemists, Church-street, Camberwell, S.E.5, said: I received a cable from New York simply saying that my father had died suddenly.

"He was a Welshman and started in business in this shop in Church-street, Camberwell, but 40 years ago he decided to launch out in America and went to New York.

WORKERS' WAGES IN AMERICA.

INTERESTING COMPARISON WITH EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

Washington.—The International Labour Office at Geneva has found that "living costs" in European cities, where there are Ford Motor Company plants, range from a little over half to slightly more than those at Detroit. Manchester is among the cheaper cities, "cost of living" there being given as 70-74 per cent. of Detroit, compared with Stockholm's 99-104 per cent., Berlin's 83-90 per cent. and Paris's 80-87 per cent. Constantinople was listed at 65 per cent. and Barcelona at 58 per cent.

Making public a study originally started at the request of the Ford Company, which sought data on which it might ascertain what the company would have to pay European workers to give them a wage comparable to that paid in Detroit, the Labour Department also compared wages actually paid in European and Detroit plants. The study is adjusted to August 1. It takes the Detroit wage of $6.88 average per day for eight hours' work as 100. It was found that the cost of living in various European cities was as follow: Stockholm, 99 to 104 per cent. of Detroit; Frankfurt, (G'many) 85 to 93; Cork (Irish Free State) 85; Copenhagen, 83 to 91; Berlin, 83 to 90; Helsinki, (Finland) 83; Paris, 80 to 87; Marseilles, 75 to 81; Manchester, 70 to 74; Rotterdam (Holland) 65 to 68; Antwerp, 61 to 65; Warsaw, 67 Istanbul, (Turey) 66 and Barcelona (Spain) 58.

The Buren of Labour Statistics secured from the Ford Company the actual wage paid per hour in Europe and reduced the percentages to dollars and cents. Among others it found that it would be necessary to increase Ford wages in Manchester from $4.24 a day to $4.80 and in Cork from $3.52 to $5.34.

WIFE WHO CONFESSED.

HUSBAND WHO COULD NOT FORGIVE.

Nottingham.—A Nottingham woman's suicide following the refusal of her husband to forgive her after she had made a confession to him was the subject of an inquest here.

The woman, Fanny Elizabeth Houghton, aged 29, of Bulwell, was found drowned in a pond at Bulwell Hall park.

Frederick Charles Houghton said his wife became a little strange in manner last summer. Last Wednesday he said to her, "You don't look very happy" and she replied. "I shall have to tell you, Fred; I have been wanting to for a long time."

She made confession to him, and he struck her across the mouth and ran from the house. Next day he rejected an appeal from his mother and his wife's mother to forgive her.

The woman's father said that on the night of the tragedy she put her youngest child into his arms, asking him to hold it until she returned. He never saw her alive again.

A verdict of "Suicide by drowning" was recorded.

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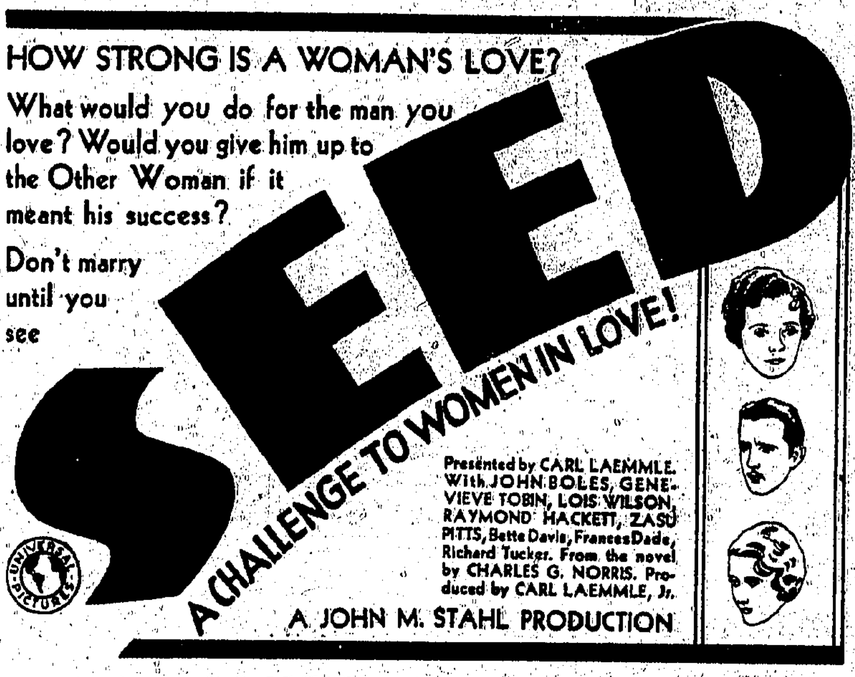

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"SEED" AT CENTRAL THEATRE.

MOTHER AND FIVE CHILDREN.

How great is mother love? Just how great is the bond between a mother and her children is convincingly shown in "Seed," the Universal problem drama which comes to the Central Theatre on Saturday with John Boles, Genevieve Tobin, Lois Wilson and Raymond Hackett in the principal roles.

Even at the expense of losing her husband, Lois Wilson, as the mother, clings fondly to her five children and manages to live a life of comparative happiness as she rears them to young manhood and womanhood. At least, she has her children with her.

But, ten years later, she meets her second great tragedy, and the way she solves it proves anew just how deep is her love for her offspring.

"Seed" was adapted for the screen from Charles G. Norris' popular novel, and the picture was directed by John M. Stahl, who has achieved outstanding success in the filming of domestic problem dramas.

LONDON-INDIA TELEPHONE.

NEXT LINK IN CHAIN OF COMMUNICATIONS.

OTHER IMPORTANT PLANS.

London.—With reference to the cabled announcement of the communications to be opened with remote parts of the world by telephone, on the occasion of the laying of the foundation-stone of the new telephone building in London, it is now stated that the development of further links is proceeding apace. These plans will particularly affect Asia and India.

Telephone communication with Siam *via* Berlin was established last month. Experiments are being carried out with a view to the opening of a direct service between this country and Japan. Negotiations for the inauguration of a similar service with India have now reached an advanced stage; and although final agreement has not yet arrived between the General Post Office and the Indian authorities, it is thought likely that work on the installation of the necessary apparatus in India will begin in the course of the present year.

Direct to Canada

Within a few weeks direct communication will be possible between England and Canada, thus eliminating the necessity of using New York as an intermediary. This new facility will provide a fresh link between the Dominion and the Motherland, and do much to encourage Empire trade. A service between England and Egypt will also be available, it is expected, before the end of the year.

While the General Post Office has been devoting its energies to the establishment of new links with the Empire, considerable advances have been made in European communications. Telephone communication is possible between every European country except Russia, Turkey, Greece, Bulgaria, and Albania. Some of the international lines, notably those connecting London with Paris and Berlin, are stated to provide greater audibility than many local lines in England.

Gradual Progress.

The first, and in some respects the most important, of all wireless telephone services was that inaugurated in 1927 between London and New York. This enables subscribers in London to speak practically to every part of the United States, Canada, Mexico, and Cuba. Later, a service was established with the Argentine, thus providing a link with Chile, Uruguay, and other parts of South America. It is also possible to speak to Venezuela *via* Berlin. In May, 1930, a public telephone service was established over a distance of 12,000 miles between London and Australia; last summer this service was extended to New Zealand.

HUSBAND'S HOLIDAY

OLD THEME OF WIFE v. LOVER.

George and Mary Boyd had been married for some years, had two children, and were obviously very fond of each other. Then, however, George falls in love with Christine Kennedy and George wants a divorce. Mary will not give it to him; she will not let a marriage based on a strong foundation and buttressed by a thousand shared interests and memories be destroyed by a casual love affair. It is not a casual love affair, says George; it is, says Mary, and, as the film draws its uneventful and somewhat sentimental way along, the audience begins to see that both are right. George's feeling for Christine is certainly more than "casual," but, on the other hand, is in not Mary, his home, and his children which in his secret heart he wants? Observe his face when he realizes how much Mary sees of Andrew Trask! Yes, undoubtedly the end will see the reunion of George and Mary and the little lesson, or whatever it is, in matrimonial ethics brought to its proper and impeccable conclusion. Mr. Clive Brook as George, Miss Vivienne Osborne as Mary, and Miss Juliette Compton as Christine seem affected by the film's monotones. Their acting is efficient, but it is in no way distinguished.

TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA.

HONG KONG.

King's.
"Confessions of a Co-Ed."

Central.
"All Quiet on the Western Front."

Queen's.
"Alibi."
British Murder Mystery.

World.
"Spring Time"
(Chinese picture).

KOWLOON.

Star.
"Say It With Songs."
With Al Jolson.

COMING.

King's.
"Sunshine Susie."
"The Man I Killed."
"Palmy Days."

Central.
"Seed."
"Cock of the Air."
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Queen's.
"The Secret Six."
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World.
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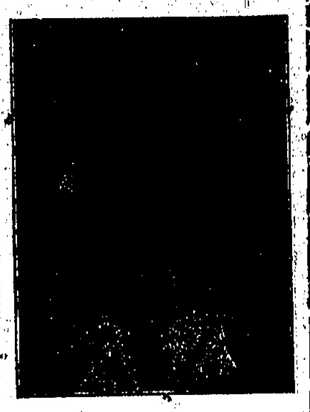

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TO-DAY'S WIRELESS PROGRAMME.

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11 to 11.30 a.m.—Stock quotations.
11.30 a.m.—Chinese programme.
12.30 p.m.—European programme of Columbia records.
1 p.m.—Local time and weather report.
1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press news, mail notice, etc.
2 p.m.—Close down.
5-8 p.m.—European programme.
5-5.35 p.m.—

Operatic.

Damnation of Faust—"Rakoczy March" (Berlioz).

Damnation of Faust—"Dance of the Sylphes" (Berlioz).—Sir Hamilton Harty conducting the Halle Orchestra.—12069.

Frederica—"Love Will Kiss and Ride Away" (Pepper and Lehar).

Frederica—"Little Roses, Little Flowers" (Pepper and Leher). Len Seidl—(Soprano) with the Palace Theatre Orchestra.—DB269.

Faust—"Prelude" (Gounod).

Faust—"Valse" (Gounod)—Milan Symphony Orchestra—"There, Oh, Wonder!"—9878.

"Il Trovatore"—Act 1, Finale (Verdi)—Gianna Arangi-Lombardi, Francesco Merli and Carlo Galeffi.

Rigoletto—Act 1, Scene 2—(He Laid a Father's Curse on me) (Verdi)—Carlo Galeffi and Ernesto Dominici.x12336.

5.35-6.05 p.m.—Children's concert from the Studio.

6.05-6.30 p.m.—
"Quartet in F Major"—(Beethoven. Op. 135)—played by the Lener String Quartette.—L1918-L1920.

7 p.m.—Stock quotations, mail notice, etc.

6.30-7.15 p.m.—

Variety.

Song—"Just One Hour of Love"—Irene Bordoni (Comedienne).—5736.

Vocal Duet—"Recollections"—Bayton and Johnstone.—5896.

Orchestral—"With a Song in My Heart"—Symphonic Rhapsody—Court Symphony Orchestra.—DX63.

Yodling—"S'Maiche" (Milking)—Edelweiss Yodlers.—5643.

Humorous Sketch—"Buying a Gun"—Harry Grattan and Horace Percival.—DX276.

Vocal Duet—"We'll Cling Together."—Norah Blaney and Gwen Farrar.—DB121.

Old-Time Medley—"Harry Champion"—Harry Champion (Comedian).—DX289.

7.15-7.35 p.m.—

A Concert.

Viola Solo—"Preludo and Allegro" (Pugnani arr. Tertis)—Lionel Tertis.—DX313.

Song—"A Fairy Went A Marketing (Fyleman and Goodhart)—Dame Clara Butt (Contralto).—PB5.

Organ Solo—"Estrellita" (Ponce) Emil Velazco.—DB85.

Song—"Mary, My Mary" (Dowdon and Leslie)—Hubert Eisdell (Tenor).

Song—"Best of All" (Lemeine and Leslie)—Hubert Eisdell (Tenor).—5686.

Violin Solo—"Waltz in C Sharp Minor" (Chopin)—Bronislaw Huberman.—LX137.

7.35-8 p.m.—

Orchestral.

"Homage" (Wagner)—Sir Dan Godfrey conducting the Symphony Orchestra.—L2002.

"The Seasons Ballet" (Glazounow)—Alexandre Glazounov & Orchestra.—LX29/LX30.

"Dance of the Flowers" (Delibes)—Lucerne Kursaal Orchestra.—LX30.

8 p.m.—Local time and weather report.

8.3-10.30 p.m.—Chinese concert from the Studio.

10.30 p.m.—Rugby mid-day Press news.

10.33 p.m.—Close down.

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MOVIE NEWS

On the Screen in Hong Kong.

"CONFESSIONS OF A CO-ED."

"EXPERIENCE A DEAR SCHOOL."

U.S. COLLEGE FILM AT KING'S

If it were only for the glimpse into the intimate lives and actions of the young people who make up America's college populations, "Confessions of a Co-Ed," which is now showing at the King's Theatre, would merit second attendance. But, more than that, it is what the Trade calls "an emotion-charged drama," acted against the background of lavish-living American youth, by a cast of modern screen blue-bloods, including Phillips Holmes, Sylvia Sidney and Norman Foster.

"Experience is a dear school," and, even when experience is gathered in college life, this story, from the intimate diary of an anonymous college girl, shows it can still come dear.

Boys and girls who become men and women overnight and, from the sheltered life of home or boarding school, find themselves pitched head-long into the glamorous, carefree, independence of college make up the characters of the drama. Sylvia Sidney is one like that, an innocent girl caught up in the swirl of dances, parties, sorority life, love-rivalry.

Holmes and Foster are both attracted by her, but Holmes is already considered "caught" by Claudia Dell, a sorority sister and professed friend of Sylvia. Nevertheless Sylvia "falls" for Holmes gives him her love. But Claudia pushes Foster's suit, and, when Holmes, expelled after a mad escapade with Claudia, disappears, she persuades Sylvia that he has jilted her. Sylvia turns to Foster, reluctantly, and the situation is carried to a highly dramatic climax when Holmes returns and accuses Foster of stealing Sylvia from him. Sylvia is torn between her love for the two men.

The production carries its characters through the thrilling round of college pleasures, mid-night pyjama parties, proms, dances, week-ends at a gay mountain resort. The back-ground are true and interesting, the players are sincere and enthusiastic. David Burton and Dudley Murphy, the directors, have done a fine piece of work in making this picture a convincing portrayal of modern college life.

BIG-SPECTACLE FILM.

LAVISH SETS IN "SECRET SIX."

THRILLS, HORRORS AND ROMANCE.

Building a replica of a great city street, constructing restaurants, a skyscraper penthouse and stock yards, and, on the other hand, calculating a sound measuring apparatus down to a thousandth of an inch—these were among the technical problems in the filming of one of the sensational motion pictures of to-day.

The worked involved the knowledge of a city planner, of architects, of sound engineers. Details of scenes such as gang raids, a murder trial and an execution, required technical advisers from police headquarters, from a state prison, from gang "hangouts."

It was the sum total of all this knowledge that made possible the authenticity of "The Secret Six" Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer sensational drama of city politics and the underworld, which will come on Sunday to the Queen's Theatre.

Tremendous Settings.

A completed city street was laid out, with buildings patterned on famous buildings in some eight American cities, so that the street was a "blend" and no particular city could be "picked out." In the same way, the story itself is based on actual happenings and police records in some twelve municipalities.

Among the sets constructed were a complete practical restaurant in operation on a sound stage; a penthouse on a skyscrapper overlooking the replica of the city; a street car line, a prison condemned row, and even a river landing.

The story deals with the rise of a gang leader to become Czar of a city electing his own mayor ruling in a grip of death. His final overthrow by the forces of law and order furnishes a dramatic climax.

Large Group of Players.

Wallace Beery plays the principal *rôle* as the sinister Scorpio. The cast also includes Lewis Stone, John Mack Brown, Jean Harlow, Marjorie Rambeau, Paul Hurst, Clark Gable, Ralph Bellamy, John Miljan, DeWitt Jennings, Murray Kinnell, Fletcher Norton, Louis Natheaux, Frank McGlynn and Theodore Von Eltz.

The picture was directed by George Hill, who scored an outstanding success with "The Big House" and "Min and Bill."

"SUNSHINE SUSIE."

GERMAN STAR WHO CONQUERED ENGLAND.

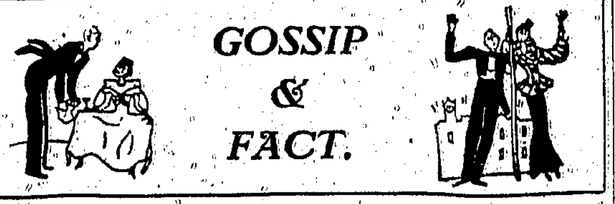
Six months ago Renate Muller, the blonde German star in "Sunshine Susie" which is coming to the King's Theatre soon, had achieved a Continental reputation. She had played all sorts of *rôles* on the German stage, and after five years behind the footlights decided to try her fortune in the films. Here she achieved a career after her own heart, and played in a multiplicity of parts, from comedy to that of Jannings' leading lady.

But somehow, although French and German producers were anxious to secure her for starring *rôles*, her eyes turned to England. It was a brave thing to do, seeing that a Continental reputation is apt to mean very little to a critical British public. Anyhow, Renate secured her heart's desire, and reached Dover with a British contract in her luggage. She was just plain Fraulein Muller, not a Continental star. And she has won her way to stardom in a British picture with a rapidity that speaks much for the sagacity of Gainsborough Pictures, who engaged her. "Sunshine Susie" is her introduction—and what an introduction!—to a rapturous British public. It is said by one who knows, that Renate's songs are whistled by the people of ten nations, and, of course, by its errand boys too!

GWEN MEARS' QUEER PART.

IN "ALIBI"—AT THE QUEEN'S.

How would you like to impersonate a corpse? This is what Gwen Mears had to do in "Alibi," the British attraction at the Queen's Theatre. It is a pity that Gwen has to be a corpse. Not that she isn't one of the best corpses you can imagine, but the unfortunate part is that no one will catch a glimpse of the corpse's face, which happens to be an unusually attractive one. Gwen is not a bit depressed about it. "I may get a chance to show my face anytime now," says she. "At any rate in "Alibi," audiences will get a really good view of my legs." And they are not so bad either, Gwen.



Really Invisible Man.

Boris Karloff, the monster of "Frankenstein," will have his next adventure as H.G. Wells's "Invisible Man." In this weird story all that can be seen of the central figure during many scenes is his clothing: another bizarre experiment for Mr. Karloff.

Ugliness Vogue.

There is a definite film fashion in ugliness now. The violet-eyed heroines are not worth their salt compared to the Beerys, Robinsons, Dresslers, and Bancrofts. In consequence the plastic surgeons—the face-lifting brigade—are doing a slack trade.

Monte Carlo Madness.

Soon we are to have "Monte Carlo Madness," which may be regarded as the successor to "Congress Dances."

Sari Maritza, the London film actress with an Austrian mother and a British father (who aroused a lot of speculation by dancing with Charlie Chaplin at his London party), plays the heroine. Miss Maritza is now in Hollywood.

Activity at Welwyn.

The first Welwyn production this year is "Stop Me!" which being directed by Norman Lee. Another of the "Josser" series, this picture tells of this popular character's adventures as a seaside photographer and as usual will be played by the irrepressible Ernie Lotinga. Molly Lamont, the B.I.P. debutante star who recently scored such a success in "Strictly Business" under the direction of Mary Field and Jacqueline Logan, is featured in the feminine lead.

Improper!

The bizarre scene was witnessed at Los Angeles to-day of 58 actors, actresses, stage hands and others being on trial for participating in a public performance of "Lysistrata," the classic comedy of Aristophanes, the famous Athenian dramatist (448-385 B.C.). Los Angeles, had banned the comedy, which expresses the popular idea of peace at any cost, and in which the women take matters into their own hands, and the cast was charged with giving a performance which offends public decency.

The chief witness for the prosecution a policeman testified as follows:

It seems that Lysistrata, in instructing the young women, told them that they should make themselves attractive, wear thin dresses, and make their soldier sweethearts want them.

Then they should tease them along, and finally repulse them until they agreed to call off the war.

The jury, consisting of 11 women and one man, seemed embarrassed.

The spectators in the court room burst out laughing as Griffin continued, "So then a fellow named Tony Cyrus came home from the war and wanted to kiss Marinna."

"You mean Konesius and Myrhina, don't you, officer?" asked the Public Prosecutor.

"Well, anyway," replied the officer, "his wife wouldn't let him kiss her or anything. That was all Lysistrata's idea, and the men stopped the war."

Do You Know That?—

Thelma Todd studied to be a school teacher, leaving her classes to enter the Paramount competition for screen candidates?

Thelma Todd won the title of "Miss Massachusetts" the day before she was selected for training in the Paramount school?

Cary Grant, new Paramount contract player, lost a stage *rôle* in England, his native land, because he "talked too American?"

Cary Grant, ran away from home at the age of twelve to become a circus clown?

Father and Daughters.

With character actors now enjoying real popularity Paramount has increased its player strength with the signing of Richard Bennett, veteran actor and father of Constance, Joan and Barbara Bennett.

Also signed recently by this company are Alison Skipworth and Mary Boland, stage and screen character actresses. Mrs. Skipworth begins work immediately; her career of thirty-two years includes more than 100 stage and a score of screen parts. Miss Boland will join Paramount's contract group as soon as she completes stage engagements.

The signing of Bennett gives Paramount an enviable group of character players. Besides Bennett, Mrs. Skipworth and Miss Boland, the company also has under contract George Barbier, Irving Pichel and Charlie Ruggles.

Very Tragic!

New York:—"We were not interested in each other's hobbies—that's the trouble," is the explanation offered by Miss Norma Talmadge, the film star, of her impending divorce from Mr. Joe Schenck, the Hollywood film producer.

"Joe has consented," Miss Talmadge said, "and I leave within ten days for Paris to get the decree." Remarking, "I am through with films," the star stated: "I am going to lead a quiet, obscure sort of life in France, for I am now an obscure and quiet person." For nine years, Miss Talmadge said, she had been wonderfully happy with Joe, but they had been separated for the last five years. Joe," she declared, "loves to work and to gamble, and I have not any work to do any more."

There is in Hollywood £200,000 worth of what Californian law defines as the community property belonging to the couple. Their lawyers are now negotiating for its division.

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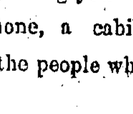

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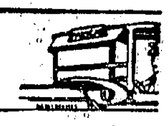

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RADIO FEATURES

BROADCASTING AND THE BLIND.

Since wireless broadcasting started there has been, from time to time, much talk of the peculiar aptitude of blind people for wireless listening. That is rather a vague way of saying that the blind, by reason of their blindness, are ideally suited to the limitations which differentiate broadcasting from the visible form of entertainment.

Not long ago an article appeared in a national newspaper dealing with this very topic. The writer, who spread himself over a column and a half in generalities, was obviously not blind. He did not give a single concrete instance of the advantages of blindness oversight in the matter of wireless listening.

To my mind, the whole question turns on this point. Is there any *essential* difference, as listeners, between the blind and those with sight? Actually—and I speak as a lifelong blind man and an experienced wireless listener—*there is not.* What differences do exist—and undoubtedly there are some—are of degree and not of kind.

At An Advantage.

In a nutshell, I would say that your blind listener is your ordinary listener *intensified.* I hope that rather peculiar mode of statement can make my meaning clear.

Every wireless listener knows that on occasion darkness can impart an air of realism which is otherwise lacking in broadcasting. Many are the occasions in which the announcers have advised listeners to switch off the electric light.

Try to imagine one who lives perpetually in that air of vocal realism which the mere turning of a switch in the wall imparts to your radio. That is the realm of wireless which the blind man knows; a vital, intense world which touches him like actuality—and not like the sounds of paid players coming through his loudspeaker.

It is, perhaps, asking too much of those with sight to feel with me on this point, for none but the blind can fully realise the enormous powers of one's imagination.

The results of this "intensity" of feeling are mainly threefold. In the first place, wireless listening is undoubtedly easier for the blind because their powers of concentration (so essential to realism) are more easily called upon.

I can well imagine that some people, through prolonged familiarity, merely *hear* the wireless. The blind man always *listens.* There is a wide difference between the two.

Again, the blind listener tends to be more *critical* than his brethren with sight—because to him sound is a so much greater part of life. His mind is a sort of fault-sieve of sound.

They Demand Good Entertainment.

This, I know, directly contradicts the generally accepted statement that the blind readily accept *any* form of entertainment. Definitely, they do not. They demand essentially good entertainment; mediocrity will not do.

I have no desire to flatter the British Broadcasting Corporation when I say that blind people are *more* than satisfied with the broadcasting fare served to the general public. Any blind person will tell you that the wireless programmes maintain an extraordinarily fine level of entertainment. That is a simple statement of fact.

Thirdly, I believe the blind listener is more appreciative of effort than the average man. When he says "That is a good play," or "That was well sung," he is tremendously sincere.

This fact has been brought home to me time and time again when I have played from the platform to an audience composed entirely of blind people. Applause is longer (at times embarrassingly so) and more spirited than with the normal audience.

I have heard it suggested that it would be a sound idea to appoint a blind man to the Board of Governors of the B.B.C. It is a suggestion which leaves me quite unmoved.

"A Grave Mistake."

Can anyone tell me in what way the presence of a blind man in the

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directorate would tend to improve the present level of wireless entertainment?

That, I repeat, is fully approved by the majority of blind listeners. Whilst the blind are as worthy of consideration as any section of the listening public, it would be a grave mistake to cater especially for them in the broadcast programmes.

Indeed, any such procedure might conceivably lead to a good deal of dissatisfaction amongst listeners. Altruism in that direction can certainly over-reach itself.

R.C. in *Popular Wireless.*

THE WORLD OF WIRELESS.

DAVENTRY A TOWN OF AERIALS.

EMPIRE'S FIVE ZONES.

Details at present available of the new B.B.C. Empire short-wave station are sufficient to show that Daventry is now certain to become the most important broadcasting centre in the world.

Daventry, in fact, will become the town of aerials.

The whole of the plant and equipment will be built by British labour in factories at Hendon and Southgate, and the transmitters will be 100 per cent. British.

Eleven of the 17 aerials are to be directional and the remaining six of the ordinary non-directional type. At various times of the day one or two of the aerials will be brought into use, according to the part of the Empire which is being served at any particular time.

Different wavelengths will have to be used, for short-waves are very peculiar, and scientists have discovered that, for any given time and over any given distance, there is one wavelength which produces the best results.

Thus it has become necessary, after all manner of complicated technical calculations, to divide the Empire into five zones.

These are as follows:—

First Zone:—Canada, West Indies and British Guiana. Wavelengths: 19 metres and 32 metres and with a special directional aerial on 48 metres for Canada and Newfoundland.

Second Zone:—Australia and New Zealand. Wavelengths: 25 metres.

Third Zone:—India, Burma, Malay States. Wavelengths: Between 17 metres and 25 metres, according to time of year. 32 metres will also be used for this zone.

Fourth Zone:—Egypt, East Africa, South Africa, Iraq, etc. Wavelengths: 32 metres and 14 metres.

Fifth Zone:—West Africa, Ascension, St. Helena, etc. Wavelength: 32 metres.

All this may seem complicated, but remember, the B.B.C. are not doing it for the benefit of home listeners. It is the Empire at large which is to be served, and it is extremely unlikely that anything will be heard if listeners tune to the wrong wavelength for their particular zone.

The two 20-kilowatt transmitters at the new station will be working day and night; sometimes taking the Savoy Hill programmes, sometimes a special Empire programme, and, probably in the early hours of the morning, when artists can hardly be expected to perform at their best, gramophone records and Blattnerphone talks will be given.

Work has already begun on the apparatus, and it is expected that the station will be heard before the end of the year. The total cost of construction is said to be between £50,000 and £60,000.

RADIO AND THE SHANGHAI WAR.

We have already had evidence of the joy which radio has been, and is, bringing to the members of Shanghai's foreign defence forces through the generosity of certain firms and individuals who have placed receivers in various of the billets, but we have yet to hear what joy and satisfaction the Chinese and Japanese troops, warring in this vicinity, have gathered from the radio receivers in *their* possession.

They have them without a doubt, even though kindly disposed firms and individuals have not seen their way to lend them receiving sets. They apparently found ways of their own to ensure they did not miss their radio entertainment. And if you don't believe me, take a look round devastated Chapei and Hongkew . . . note the number of aerials over the remaining housetops and then enquire from the unfortunate residents who may be around looking for what is left of their belongings, and you will find their radios have been taken away by parties unknown, but whose identity is easily guessed.

In conversation with a foreign radio fan who had to leave Dixwell Road in a hurry I heard the tale of an episode I feel was not uncommon. Returning to his home in the early days of the trouble with the idea of taking away some of his most valued articles of furniture, he found a party of looters in the act of passing a small Philips receiver, among other things, out of a back window. The looters got away with their booty. He found, too, that the expensive receiver, which ordinarily adorned his drawing room, had also been moved to the back of the house preparatory to being passed out of the window. His truck was sent away by Japanese Marines and he was unable to remove his things that day. He bolted and barred his house to prevent a recurrance of the episode, and a week later again returned to find the house broken into and his expensive set gone, as well as other valuables. Representation has been made through the Consulates concerned . . . but will it help?

Another radio enthusiast on Kiangwan Road has a similar story to tell. His valuable Majestic receiver is no more.

Yes, radio certainly has its attractions.—Listener in *Shanghai Calling.*

THE WAR DEBTS BURDEN.

PLEA FOR LASTING SETTLEMENT.

A strong plea for an immediate and lasting settlement of the problems of Reparations and War Debts is made by the British National Committee of the International Chamber of Commerce in a report to the Council of the Chamber. Lord Luke is the chairman of the British National Committee.

In their report, the Committee declare that if adequate measures are not taken by the Governments:

(a) The present world economic crisis will increase;
(b) More and more international markets will be closed;
(c) Gold prices will continue to fall;
(d) Defaults, repudiations and bankruptcies, both individual and national, will follow;
(e) Creditor countries will lose all of their claims upon their debtors."

The Committee therefore declare that it is essential to secure a lasting settlement of Reparations and War Debts, and that this objective can best be secured by an agreement at an early conference of the Powers concerned.

They also urge that measures will have to be taken for alleviating the monetary burden of international indebtedness arising from the increased value of gold.

In a final paragraph the Committee urge that steps should be taken to foster international trade by promoting freer interchange of commodities and services.

MASS HEARD BY WIRELESS.

PRONOUNCED TO BE INVALID.

The question whether Mass heard by wireless would be valid has been put to a number of authorities of the Roman Catholic Church. All of them declared that it would not be.

Though some recognised that a broadcast Mass would have special value in the case of persons who were too ill to attend church, they maintained their objection in regard to its validity.

Cardinal Ascalesi, Archbishop of Naples, stated that Mass could not be valid if heard more than ten paces away from a church, excepting when there was a great and unbroken concourse of people and the celebration could be seen or heard by all.

Television Future.

Father Gianfranceschi, the Director of the Vatican wireless station, agreed with the other authorities that the hearing of Mass without the physical presence of the faithful was not valid. He said, however, that, in view of the unceasing development of the science of broadcasting, the question might one day be taken up by the Pope. It is supposed that he had the question of television in mind. The Church, he added, had always taken advantage of modern inventions when they could be used for spreading the faith.

Mgr. Carinci, of the Congregation of Rites, went further and said that the congregation, when asked whether confession could be heard by telephone, had answered in the negative because the elements of personal presence and secrecy were absent.

EXPLOSION IN PILL-BOX.

PROFESSOR BADLY INJURED.

Bristol.—Dr. W. E. Garner, Professor of Physical Chemistry at Bristol University, was severely injured by an explosion of chemicals in a cellar at the University.

His condition is stated to be serious.

Dr. Garner had arranged to give a lecture on explosives at the Royal Institution in London next week, and he went to the cellar where chemicals are stored to obtain a supply for experiment.

In a Pill Box.

He was carrying six milligrammes, equal to about half a dozen pinheads, in a pill box, and it was this which exploded.

Dr. Garner staggered from the cellar into a passage, and was found there with his hand badly injured, his face burned, and suffering from shock.

"Such an explosion has never occurred here before," an official at the University said later. "These things do happen occasionally. For some unknown reason, what is a perfectly safe explosive goes off under the most unexpected conditions. It will probably never happen again. Dr. Garner is a very careful experimenter and worked at Woolwich during the war."

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HAVE YOU HEARD THESE?

Here are lists of long-wave and short-wave stations which should be picked up by anyone in Hong Kong who has a moderately good set suitable for receiving such signals. Success in picking up these stations also depends very largely upon favourable atmospheric conditions. Readers are invited to add to this list should they succeed in picking up any station not included in either of these lists.

LONG-WAVE STATIONS.

Wave length (Metres)	Station	Call Sign	Kilocycle
260	Manila	K.Z.I.B.	1,153
277	Shanghai	K.S.M.S.	1,083
345	Tokyo	J.O.A.K.	870
353	Hiroshima	J.O.F.K.	850
355	Hong Kong	Z.B.W.	843
357.1	Bombay	V.U.B.	840
361	Sapporo	J.O.I.K.	830
366	Keijo	J.O.D.K.	820
370	Nagoya	J.O.C.K.	810
370.4	Calcutta	V.U.C.	809.9
380	Kumamoto	J.O.G.K.	790
390	Sendai	J.O.H.K.	770
395	Dairen	J.Q.A.K.	760
400	Osaka	J.O.B.K.	750
410	Canton	C.M.B.	732
430	Manila	K.Z.R.M.	825

SHORT-WAVE STATIONS.

Wave length (Metres)	Station	Call Sign	Kilo Cycles	Time (Hong Kong) of Working
67.65	Dobintz (Germany)	A.F.K.	4,434	Mon., Wed. & Fri., 6 p.m. & 2 a.m.
60.12	Khabarovsk (Russia)	R.A.97.	4,990	6—10 p.m.
56.7	Nauenw	A.G.J.	5,291	Not regular
50.	Mosco	R.F.N.	6,000	Tues., Thurs., Sat., 8 p.m.
43.5	Rome	1.M.A.	6,896	Sunday midnight
42.	Perth	6.A.G.	7,142	Daily 6.30 p.m. & 11 p.m.
41.8	Singapore	V.S.I.A.B.	7,310	Not regular
38.8	Kootwijk (Holland)	P.C.L.	7,730	Daily 11 p.m.
38.	Bangkok (Siam)	H.S.4.P.J.	8,108	Tues. & Fri., 9 p.m.—1 a.m.
35.2	Sydney	2.B.L.	9,230	Not regular
31.55	Melbourne	3.L.O.	9,508	Not regular
31.48	Schenectady	W.2.X.A.F.	9,530	Daily 7 a.m.
31.20	Eindhoven (Holland)	P.C.J.	9,620	Fri. 3 a.m., Sat. 3 a.m. & 10 a.m.
31.28	Sydney	2.F.C.	9,590	Not regular
31.	Nairobi (Kenya)	7.L.O.	9,677	Midnight daily
28.5	Sydney	2.M.E.	10,526	Not regular
27.8	Bandoeng	P.L.E.	11,020	Midnight—3 a.m. daily
25.53	Chelmsford (England)	5.S.W.	11,751	7.30 p.m. & 3 a.m. daily, except Saturday and Sunday
24.5	Manila	K.1.X.R.	12,240	Nightly
23.35	Schenectady	W.2.X.O.	12,850	4 a.m. Wed., Fri., Sat.
18.88	Bandoeng	P.L.G.	16,102	Daily 6.30 p.m. to midnight
18.4	Kootwijk (Holland)	P.C.L.	16,304	Daily 7 p.m.
17.4	Bandoeng	P.L.F.	17,280	Daily 8 p.m. to midnight
16.9	Bangkok	H.S.1.P.J.	17,751	Sundays 7 p.m & midnight
16.8	Kootwijk (Holland)	P.C.K.	18,404	Each afternoon.
15.74	Bandoeng	P.L.E.	19,220	Daily 5.30—7 p.m.
15.5	Nancy (France)	—	19,351	Daily 3 a.m.
13.98	Pittsburg	W.8.X.K.	21,540	Not regular

[Allowance must be made for "summer-time" in most European countries, which is one hour ahead of true time.]

QUEEN'S READY SYMPATHY.

MISHAP AT FAIR TO PHOTOGRAPHER.

Concern was expressed by the Queen for a photographer who was slightly hurt while taking a photograph of her Majesty at the British Textile Exhibition at the White City.

The Queen kindly consented to pose for the photographers outside a display of artificial silk goods. The flashlight cap exploded too soon, and one of the photographers, Mr. H. A. Andrews, who was stooping down, was momentarily affected in one eye.

The Queen at once walked over to him and said, "Are you hurt? I am so sorry this has happened."

Mr. Andrews assured her Majesty that he was quite all right, and she then resumed her tour of the exhibition.

Mr. Andrews said afterwards, "The Queen very kindly asked me if I was hurt, and did not seem to like to go until she knew that I was not."

This was her Majesty's third visit this week to the British Industries Fair, the other two visits being to Olympia.

The Queen, who was accompanied by the Princess Royal, was wearing a long coat of black velvet trimmed with fox fur, and a ruby velvet toque. The Princess Royal wore a fur-trimmed fawn coat and velvet hat of a deep cherry colour.

The Royal visitors remained twenty minutes longer than they had intended at a fashion parade, and before leaving the Queen sent a message of appreciation to the mannequins.

"Tell them," she said to the official, "that I think the parade is excellent, and I congratulate the mannequins."

HOSPITAL QUARREL.

CORONER TOLD OF DOCTOR'S THREAT.

Fifteen doctors attended the Barnet inquest on an eight-year-old child, Beryl Back, of Shenley-road, Borcham Wood, who died in the Well-house Hospital, Barnet—and seven of them gave evidence.

Dr. H. R. Segar, medical superintendent of the hospital, said the child was suffering from meningitis and there was no hope of recovery. He disagreed with an operation.

Dr. Dalton, of Highgate, who had been called in by the parents, accused him in the hospital of neglect and said the child's life could have been saved if prompt action had been taken to remove mastoid infaction. Dr. Dalton threatened that if Dr. Segar persisted in his obstruction and the child died he (Dr. Dalton) would inform the coroner and Dr. Segar's neglect would be brought out in public.

The Operation.

Dr. Segar added that he still refused to allow the child to be removed for an operation, but consented to the operation being performed in the hospital by Dr. Drummond, registrar of the Golden Square Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital, who had come with Dr. Dalton to the hospital, and agreed with the operation.

The operation was performed the same night and the child died next morning. Dr. Segar was of opinion that the operation accelerated death and added that Dr. Drummond adopted "a decent manner" throughout.

Dr. P. P. Dalton said that the child was suffering from mastoid disease and would have a sporting chance of recovery by an operation.

Dr. Segar kept them waiting unnecessarily. They were also told that instruments were not available for their examination of the child's ear. They had to use matches instead.

Dr. Philip Jury, consulting specialist to the hospital, said that the postmortem examination entirely confirmed Dr. Segar's diagnosis. He considered the operation was useless and expedited death.

Jury's Congratulations.

The coroner (Mr. T. Ottaway) said professional etiquette arose.

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The jury returned a verdict of "Death from natural causes," and added a rider that they sympathised with Dr. Segar and congratulated him on the post-mortem examination confirming his conduct of the case.

it was lamentable that an outside doctor should use threats to try to deflect the medical superintendent from what he considered his duty.

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LOCAL COMPANY MEETINGS

UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY.

AN EFFICIENT FLEET.

The twenty-seventh ordinary general meeting of the Union Waterboat Co., Ltd., was held at the offices of the general managers, Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., yesterday afternoon. Mr. J. P. Warren presided and was supported by members of the Consulting Committee, the Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, Messrs. R. G. Shewan, T. Yamamoto, W. H. Lebert, and Mr. D. E. de Sousa (Secretary). Shareholders present were Messrs. J. Owen Hughes, W. E. Van Epps and A. W. Hayward.

Addressing the meeting the Chairman said:—

After writing off $8,985.37 against depreciation of boats and adding $4,088.48 to the insurance fund to cover the Company's proportion of insurance, the nett profit for the year is $19,293.75, which, together with $4,114.65 brought forward from last year, makes a total of $23,408.40 for appropriation.

It is proposed to deal with same as follows:—

To pay a dividend of 50 cents per share on 38,813 shares which will absorb	$19,406.50
Carry forward to 1932	4,001.90
	$23,408.40

Increased Earnings.

The working account shows that 548,675 tons of water were sold as against 521,622 in 1930, the gross revenue being $8,309.50 in excess of last year, which proves that the Company's earning power has not declined but our working expenses are $22,228 higher, mostly due to the slump in exchange. The main increase is in the marine insurance of our boats which cost $7,139 more than in the previous year on account of their higher value in dollars due to low exchange. This has, however, readjusted itself by about 25 per cent. on account of appreciation in exchange, and this saving will be reflected in this year's accounts.

Other items which show considerable increases are coal, fuel oil and wages, but I am glad to say the cost of fuel oil has since been reduced, which will lower the working costs for 1932.

Investments have depreciated in sympathy with the fluctuations in exchange and stand at $37,967.50 less than last year.

Addition to Fleet.

The fleet has been maintained in a high state of efficiency and during the year a new waterboat was completed and put into commission, with a Gardner full Diesel engine, and the latest up-to-date pumping equipment.

This makes a total of 8 water boats, five of which are steam-driven and one of these will be shortly sold making 4 steam and 3 motor boats.

Our object is gradually to replace the old steamboats with motor powered craft as we find in practice that the nett saving in the cost of pumping water from motor driven boats is roughly 25 per cent.

The Consulting Committee naturally regret that they cannot see their way to recommend a larger dividend, but you will see from the balance sheet and the explanations I have given you, that this is quite out of the question, and I trust shareholders will not overlook the generous treatment they received in the early part of the year under review in connection with the issue of bonus shares and a cash return of $3 per share on the new issue.

I now beg to propose the adoption of the report and accounts as presented, and when this has been seconded, I will be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions shareholders may wish to ask.

Mr. Van Epps seconded the proposal, which was carried, no questions being asked.

H.K. ROPE COMPANY.

SHAREHOLDERS REJECT DIVIDEND.

Mr. R. G. Shewan presided at the annual general meeting of the Hong Kong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd., yesterday, when an original motion to pay a dividend of 85 cents per share, absorbing $170,000.00, to write off plant and machinery $7,729.82 and to carry forward to credit of next year's account $100,000.00, put forward, as a formality, was rejected.

An amendment, however, that 15 cents bonus per share be paid, proposed by Dr. Fred Kew, and seconded by Mr. P. M. N. da Silva, when put to the meeting, at the close of the Chairman's speech, was carried. The directors did not vote on the amendment.

Supporting the Chairman, were the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga and Mr. J. Scott Harston (Directors) and Mr. J. Coulthart (Secretary). Shareholders present were:—Messrs. N. V. A. Croucher, P. M. N. da Silva, A. Seth, F. A. Xavier, F. L. Silva, H. Dyer, Chan Po Min, A. A. Botelho, Lam Lai Tong, Lai Shuet Kung, Kwok Hin Wang, Peter H. Sin, Lo Kin Fai, G. A. Harriman, Soo Pui Chen, A. A. Lopes, Pang Wai Hang, I. W. Shewan, J. Toppin, F. J. Tavares, A. H. Carroll, Chun Wing Keu, Dr. F. H. Kew, Messrs. W. A. Zimmern, Chau Siu Wui and L. Weill.

Mr. Shewan's Speech.

Speaking on the matter, Mr. R. G. Shewan, Chairman, said:—Regarding the recommendation for the payment of a dividend of 85 cents per share, I would like to inform you that the Directors received two letters from a number of shareholders, representing a holding in the aggregate of 47,266 shares out of the total of 200,000, somewhat less than a quarter of the total share capital. The first letter bears 35 signatures, of which one is that of an unregistered shareholder. They represent 41,756 shares, which were supplemented by 5,500 shares in a subsequent letter, dated March 10 from another shareholder to the same purport, *viz.*, requesting the Directors "to reconsider their decision with regard to the proposed dividend and recommend a dividend of a dollar instead of 85 cents" in view of the shareholders' "wish to participate to a greater extent in the additional prosperity of the Company."

Overhead Costs Higher?

It was after considerable deliberation that the Board decided on the recommendation of 85 cents per share. It is from no desire to oppose the wishes of the signatories of the letters. I have just referred to that your Directors feel they cannot prudently accede to their request by recommending $1 instead of 85 cents as the dividend in respect of 1931. There is just the possibility—which your Directors sincerely hope may not be realised—of a curtailment of profit owing to less favourable exchange in 1932 than 1931. Overhead costs are also likely to be higher, at the same time as the Company is committed to expenditure on some new machinery. If, in view of your Board's explanation, insistence is pressed for a dividend of $1, instead of 85 cents as recommended, then it is for you, gentlemen, to propose an amendment to the original motion before the meeting, and if it be carried the responsibility must rest with you as shareholders for disregarding the Board's recommendation. The Directors will abstain from voting on any such amendment.

In face of the abnormal fluctuations in exchange and cost of raw material it is not safe to say more as to prospects for the current year than that we have begun the year well.

The Year Reviewed.

Mr. Shewan, in opening the meeting, said:—

The gross revenue amounts to $251,500.51 and after deducting Directors' and Auditors' Fees, depreciation, interest and commission to General Managers, there remains a net profit of $214,810.36 for the year. Transferring the amount of $214,810.36 to Profit and Loss Account, there is a balance at credit of $37,729.82 which your Directors recommend be dealt with as follows:—To pay a Dividend of

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H.K. FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

SATISFACTORY YEAR'S WORKING REVIEWED.

The Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson presided at the 63rd ordinary meeting of the Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., which was held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., at noon yesterday and in addressing the gathering he stated *inter alia*:—

"The outturn of the year 1930 has proved satisfactory the accounts having run off with a credit balance very favourably with all preceding years, except 1926/1928 when results were of a nature that we can hardly hope to emulate in those difficult times.

"Premium Income, though down by close on half a million dollars, produced a profit of 8.51 per cent. as compared with 2.78 per cent in 1929.

"The balance of credit of the Working Account for 1931, after twelve months working, is $524,295.67 as compared with $769,996.61 for 1930, at the same stage, a decrease of $245,700.94.

Bonus to Staff.

"The surplus to be dealt with at this meeting is $615,420.34, the balance of Account 1930, and we recommend the payment of a dividend of $50 per share, the same as last year, together with an Exchange Bonus at the reduced figure of $5 per share, and the transfer of the balance of $175,420.34 (£12,608.6.9), at exchange 1/5½ to Reinsurance Fund.

"I trust that you will approve the usual bonus of 15 per cent. on their salaries being granted to the staff.

On the proposal of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. J. T. Bagram, the report and accounts were carried unanimously.

Other Business.

Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. C. Bernard Brown, A. H. Compton, L. Dunbar, T. E. Pearce, F. A. Joseph, and A. H. White were appointed, with the Chairman, to compose the Consulting Committee, on the proposal of Mr. Lo Cheung-shui, seconded by Mr. S. H. Ross.

Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were re-elected Auditors on the proposal of Mr. D. V. Steavenson, seconded by Mr. M. H. Lo.

Supporting the Chairman were Messrs. C. Bernard Brown, L. Dunbar, F. A. Joseph, and A. H. White (Consulting Committee), F. C. Hall (Secretary).

Shareholders present were Messrs. J. T. Bagram, M. H. Lo, J. H. Seth, J. P. Sherry, S. H. Ross, D. V. Steavenson, Wing Chuen Jones, Lo Cheung-shui, Ho Leung and J. Fleming.

85 cents per share, absorbing $170,000; to write off Plant and Machinery, $7,729.82; to carry forward to credit of next year's account $100,000.

The total amount of rents collected for the Kennedy Town property is about the same as the previous year and rents at Ma-tau-kok show no appreciable increase.

You will notice from the Accounts that we have expended during the year the sum of $54,644.02 on additions to plant and machinery all of which has been provided for out of revenue.

Amendment Carried.

Mr. Shewan proposed that the report and accounts be adopted and that the amount of $677,729.82 be distributed as announced, and Mr. J. Scott Harston seconded, but before the resolution was put, Mr. F. H. Kew proposed an amendment that a bonus of 15 cents a share be paid. This was seconded by Mr. P. M. N. da Silva and carried. The Directors did not vote on this amendment.

When the original motion was put, the Directors and three other shareholders voted for and the rest of the meeting against, and the Chairman declared the motion lost.

Other Business.

Sir Robert Ho Tung and Sir Ellis Kadoorie were re-elected directors and Messrs. Lowe and Bingham and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming re-appointed auditors.

ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY.

MR. H. B. L. DOWBIGGIN THE NEW PRESIDENT.

INFORMAL "WHITE JACKET" DANCE THIS YEAR.

At the annual general meeting of the Society of St. George, which was held in the boardroom of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., last evening, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin was elected President for the ensuing year while Mr. C. Bulmer Johnson was made Vice-President.

There was considerable discussion about the desirability of holding a dance on St. George's Day but it was eventually decided to hold an "informal, white-jacket dance" on April 23, next. The proposal was made by Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy and was seconded by Mr. P. S. Cassidy who remarked that it would be a pity if St. George's Day was allowed to pass again this year without holding a dance. It was the original idea of "returning hospitality" to their Scottish friends and now they also had the St. Patrick's people to think of. The dance will be held in he Peninsula Hotel.

The Chairman's Speech.

Mr. E. Cook, the out-going President, was in the chair and in addressing the meeting he said:—

The report and accounts have been submitted to you in the usual way and appear to need little explanation. You will remark that we have disbursed more, in donations and help, than we have received in income. We could make a better showing if our numbers were more in accord with the indication of the census returns.

We had the extreme mortification of having to put off the Ball which it has been our custom to hold on Twelfth Night. Quick decision was necessary and we had to consider and choose between indefinite postponement or cancellation. Postponement for a fortnight might not have been sufficient, for a month would have coincided with the Chinese New Year period, six weeks meant about Race week and proximity to other national functions and, since so many of our best supporters book their engagements for weeks ahead, it appeared likely that to defer would spell failure. There was no time to canvass for members' opinions and the committee were unanimous that abandonment was the only way. If any member feels disappointed he may find some consolation in the contemplation of my greater discomfiture.

The Concert A Success.

What might have developed into an absolute scourage was arrested, but not until it had seriously impaired the health of some of our friends to whom we offer our best wishes for their speedy recovery. We had an earlier disappointment in having to abandon our "Garden Party" at the Hong Kong Cricket Club but the concert to the troops on the evening of St. George's Day was, I consider, a pronounced success. In connection with the concert, or whatever function is decided on, I don't think it is well enough known that the whole of the members are hosts and not merely the committee, and the value and happiness of the function would be greatly increased if more members would support it with their presence. My term as President of St. George's Society finishes now—a new lamp will be kindled from the flame I have carried for the year, I am deeply sensible of the honour you conferred on me a year ago and I beg to thank the past Presidents and the outgoing committee for their help and support since then. Our thanks are due specially to M. P. S. Cassidy for auditing the accounts.

I now beg to move the approval of the report and accounts. This was seconded by the Hon. Mr. T. H. King and was carried unanimously.

Election of Officers.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—

President.—Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, O.B.E.

Vice-President.—Mr. C. Bulmer Johnson.

Committee.—Mr. W. A. Cornell, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, M.C., Mr. V. M. Grayburn, Mr. F. C. Hall, Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, C.M.G., Mr. V. C. Labrum, Mr. J. D. Danby, Sir William Hornell, C.I.E., Mr. P. S. Cassidy, Mr. J. Bentley, Hon. Mr. T. H. King, and Mr. A. B. Raworth.

Messrs. Lindstead and Davis were elected Secretaries and Treasurers for the ensuing year.

The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, in a short speech, said he felt sure he was voicing the sentiments of the meeting when he said that the Society deeply appreciated all Mr. Cock had done for them during his term of office and he proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Cock which was heartily accorded.

The chairman then proposed a vote of thanks to Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., for their courtesy in lending their boardroom for the meeting.

Extraordinary Meeting.

At an extraordinary meeting held immediately after the annual meeting, Mr. Cock proposed the addition of the following paragraph at the end of Rule 8:—"The Committee shall have power to waive the payment of an entrance fee in the case of members of His Majesty's Forces and Civil Servants attached thereto who wish to join this Society."

This was seconded by the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton and was carried unanimously.

Those Present.

Those present included Messrs. C. Bulmer Johnson, A. B. Raworth, L. C. F. Bellamy, F. Goulbourn, E. M. Hazeland, Frank Austin, P. S. Cassidy, J. Bentley, J. D. Danby, J. F. Bridgman, V. C. Labrum, C. B. Labrum, the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn and many others.

EXPORT PREFERENCE.

EFFECT ON LOCAL SHIPPERS.

At the monthly meeting of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce yesterday, the secretary, Mr. Lee Wan Kam, stated that a letter had been received from the Colonial Secretary to the effect that a preference had been granted to articles produced in and consigned from a British Colony under the new 10 per cent. tariff on goods imported into Great Britain. The letter also referred to the possibility of further preferences which might be accorded to the Colonies by the Dominions.

The Chairman, Mr. Wong Kwong Tin, in explanation, stated that in order to gain the preference, goods which are manufactured in Hong Kong such as textile goods and ginger must be made from raw materials produced in British territory, *i.e.* textiles imported from India or any British Colonies, and ginger from the New Territories or from places which are under British rule.

Mr. Wong further stated that before sending a reply to the Colonial Secretary, a copy of the latter would be forwarded to the Exporters' Association for their opinion.

Business Visits to Australia.

Another subject of interest discussed at the meeting was in regard to a letter received from Mr. Archdale Parkhill, Minister for Home Affairs in Australia, about the question of granting facilities for Asiatic business men to visit Australia. It was stated in the letter that there had been an arrangement for many years between the Commonwealth Government and the Governments of India, Japan and China, under which *bona fide* Indian, Japanese or Chinese merchants could obtain passports from their respective governments which would entitle them to visit Australia for business purposes. This arrangement was only for persons who were in a position to promote overseas wholesale trade between Australia and the East, but unfortunately this practice had been abused for other purposes, mostly by Chinese.

The Secretary stated that a copy of the letter would be forwarded to the Wah On Importers' Association, and a reply sent in due course.

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SUI TAI-VENEZIA COLLISION.

COURT FINDS MASTER OF SUI TAI ACTED IN CORRECT MANNER.

NO JURISDICTION OVER VENEZIA.

The collision on March 12 between the s.s. Venezia and the s.s. Sui Tai had a sequel in the Harbour Office yesterday when Hon. Commander G. F. Hole, R.N. (Retired) presided over a Marine Court of Inquiry which sat to investigate the collision.

The President announced at the outset that the Court had no jurisdiction over the Chinese-owned Venezia and it must not express any opinion on the conduct of the Venezia or her master.

After hearing the evidence, the finding of the Court was as follows:—"We find that the s.s. Sui Tai, of which Commander Pritchard, R.N. (retired) was master, left Macao at 2 p.m. on March 12, 1932, on a voyage to Hong Kong. When at a point north east, three quarters of a mile from the northern extremity of Cheung Chau Island, she sighted the s.s. Venezia at least one point on her starboard bow, the Venezia being on an opposite course, the visibility was about one cable. Under the circumstances, we consider the master of the Sui Tai acted in correct manner by putting his helm to starboard and going astern on his port engine and we therefore adjudge him to be entirely free of blame for the collision which occurred."

"MASTER IN NAME ONLY."

The Hon. Commander G. F. Hole, R.N., presided over the Court, the other members being Lt.-Cdr. L. G. Addington, D.S.C., R.N., of H.M.S. Tamar, Capt. J. H. Ferguson, master of the s.s. Kumsang, Capt. W. G. Erwin, master of the s.s. Haiyang, and Capt. T. R. Ireland, master of the s.s. Tyndareus.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, K.C., instructed by Mr. R. A. Wadeson, appeared for the master of the Sui Tai.

In opening the court, Commander Hole said that before proceeding with the case he wished to bring to the notice of those concerned that although a warrant had been issued for the inquiry into the circumstances of the collision, the Court had jurisdiction only over the s.s. Sui Tai. The Venezia was a Chinese ship and therefore beyond the Court's jurisdiction.

As it was possible for the Court to find the Sui Tai, and therefore the master, to blame and as the Court must express no opinion on the conduct of the Venezia or her master, he thought it was only right to give the master of the Sui Tai every chance in his favour. He would therefore ask Mr. Potter to call his witnesses in any order he desired.

Mr. Potter pointed out that certain witnesses had been subpœnaed, and he would like the master of the Venezia called first.

Captain's Evidence.

Captain Frank Tasman Fisher said he was master of the Venezia in name only. He held a New South Wales certificate, and was on the articles as master. The vessel left Hongkong at 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 12, for Macao and proceeded in the usual way, passing Green Island about 2.20. She reduced to half speed either at 2.30 or 2.35, as they were overtaking the s.s Chuen Chow the other Macao boat, in a slight fog. They passed Chuen Chow Beacon 15 minutes later, when they went at full speed, about 12½ to 13 knots. The course was then set for half way, which was South 82, West.

They could see points of Lantau Island practically all the way, and as they approached half way, the weather became clearer, and he left the bridge. He walked down the deck to where some people were playing a game of cards and watched them for about two minutes.

Just as he was leaving them, he heard a short blast from the Venezia. He started to run towards the bridge and almost simultaneously he heard two blasts from another vessel. When he arrived at the bridge he saw a vessel coming out of the fog, the visibility being about two ship's lengths. He did not know what the Venezia's speed was at the time, as he was not on the bridge. He saw the Sui Tai coming from a direction of three to four points on their port bow. Their helm at the time was hard aport. As he ran on to the bridge he shouted the order "hard aport," before he saw anyone on the bridge.

Who is Captain?

Commander Hole:—Surely you were taking rather a risk in giving an order like that without seeing anything?

Witness:—I could see the ship as I ran on to the bridge, and almost at once we were struck. Had I remained where I was, I should have been in the wreckage.

Mr. Potter:—What exactly did you mean by saying you were master in name only?—Well, it is under a Chinese flag.

Who is the virtual master—Well I don't know that I have really found that out myself.

Will you explain what you mean by the phrase?—If I give a command, no notice is taken of it.

The Chinese pilot is really the virtual master?—Yes, I should say he was.

And I think that the less you interfere with the Chinese pilot's navigation the better pleased will be the Company?—I think I am right in saying that. I can get no protection from my owners. I have reported these things many times, but get no redress.

Captain Fisher, in reply to Mr. Potter, said he could not recollect whether the Sui Tai sounded two short blasts before the Venezia sounded a blast. He could not say whether the Venezia's one blast was the first signal given or not. The Chinese pilot was in charge of the bridge at the time the Venezia gave the blast.

In reply to Lt-Cdr. Addington, witness said that the Venezia passed Cheung Chau Beacon on the starboard helm. The current was half a mile against them about a quarter of a mile away from Cheung Chau. He did not know what the regulations required in the matter of officers in connexion with boats with Hong Kong Passengor Certificates.

After the Chief Officer, Mr. J. Einholm, and Mrs. Powell, wife of Rev. E. G. Powell, who was a passenger on the Sui Tai, had given evidence, the 1st quarter-master and pilot, Chan Yau, was put into the witness box.

Pilot's Evidence.

He stated that nothing unusual occurred until they had reached Half Way Point about 3.40 p.m. It was then very foggy ahead, and at 3.42 p.m. speed was reduced from twelve knots to about six or seven knots. About 3.44 p.m. he saw the Sui Tai on the port side about half a point, and gave one short blast. The Sui Tai did not give any blast. The Captain arrived on the bridge immediately after he had given the blast. The Chief Officer was in charge of the bridge previous to that.

Witness said he gave the short blast on his own accord, as the Chief Officer was engaged in writing something. After the blast he put the helm to port. Nobody gave him orders to do this. He then saw the Sui Tai closing in on the Venezia, and also heard the Sui Tai give two short blasts. Previous to that he had heard a short blast, but that was some distance away, and he had not done anything, but had kept to the same course going at seven knots. That was a 3.43 p.m.

Time Factor in Speed.

The witness was here confronted with an irregularity in his evidence, in that he had said that at 3.42 p.m. the ship was going at twelve knots, and at 3.43 p.m. it was going at six to seven knots. He, however, said that it was impossible for the Venezia to lose five knots in a minute.

Proceeding with his evidence, he said that Captain Fisher gave him orders to reply with one blast to the Sui Tai's two blasts and a few seconds later the collision took place.

Witness, continuing his evidence, said that he could not say if the

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Sui Tai altered her helm after sighting the Venezia. He said that after the impact the Venezia became stationary. It took about two or three seconds to become stationary and witness said that the ship was brought to a standstill so rapidly because she had been holed and had shipped water.

Sui Tai Master's Evidence.

Captain Thomas Pritchard, master of the Sui Tai, then gave evidence in which he said that the ship left Macao at 2 p.m. and that at 2.30 he handed over charge of the bridge to the chief officer. At 2.45, the "stand by" was put on the engine room telegraph and witness went to the bridge and saw that the weather was becoming intermittently foggy and misty with visibility of about 1 mile. The ship started to sound the fog signal at intervals of about one blast per minute.

At 3.09 the weather improved and the "Stand By" was rung off and the ship proceeded at full speed again. There was quite a lot of fog and mist still hanging around and witness remained on the bridge and kept the fog signals going. At 3.43 the northern point of Cheung Chau was abeam the starboard side of the boat about a quarter of a mile off. Almost immediately after they sighted Cheung Chau they shut down thick fog. The ship's speed was reduced to half speed and the "stand by" was again put on the telegraph.

The Venezia was first sighted at 3.46 on the starboard bow, and was about one or two points to starboard. He knew that the ships were going to pass fairly close. Witness thought he would indicate to the Venezia that he was going to keep on the starboard helm and blew two short blasts of the whistle at the same time helming hard to starboard, with the port engine full astern.

The Collision.

"When the operation was completed," said witness, "I walked from the port side of the bridge to amidships and as I did so, the Venezia sounded one short blast and I could see her altering to starboard. The Sui Tai by that time just started to swing to port and I replied with two whistles to her one blast. I knew at once that a collision could not be avoided, so I decided to continue my turning to port, with the hope of bringing off a glancing blow, or at least reducing the blow. Two or three seconds before I had both engines astern. At 3.47 we collided. The Venezia tore across our bow at a high rate of speed, almost at right angles with the Sui Tai. The Sui Tai was heading at that time North East by East. The Venezia, assuming she was clear of the Sui Tai, wheeled around to starboard in a half circle until she was going in the opposite direction with the engines still going. A minute later I saw her engines had stopped."

Witness said that both the Chief Officer and himself had been on the bridge from 2.45. He did not hear any fog signals from the Venezia or from any other boat previous to the collision.

Asked by the Court how he knew that the engines of the Venezia was still going after the collision, witness said that he assumed they were because the propeller was still going.

After evidence in corroboration of the master's story had been given by the Chief Officer of the vessel, the Court adjourned to consider its finding which was delivered as given above.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[All letters intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not for publication, unless so desired, but as evidence of good faith.—ED.]

THE SITUATION IN FOOCHOW.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—In your leading article of March 17 it is stated that: "The people of Foochow lived in hourly expectation of a descent both upon the town and province of Fukien."

The above statement is totally incorrect. Since the local authorities at the beginning of January prohibited illegal anti-Japanese action and inflammatory agitation there has been no fear of trouble here.—I am,—Sir,—Your obedient servant,

H. I. HARDING,
H.B.M. Consul.

Foochow, March 24.

[We are glad to be able to publish this official denial of a statement based upon information direct from a most reliable source in Foochow. Possibly H.B.M. Consul slightly misunderstood the sentence in question. At one time it looked as if a formal declaration of war between China and Japan were imminent, with, in all probability, grave consequences to the coastal ports in China.—Editor *H.K.D.P.*]

Y.M.C.A. ANNUAL MEETING.

PRESIDENT REVIEWS SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

POPULARITY OF THE WOMEN'S SECTION.

The annual general meeting of the European Y.M.C.A. was held in the new West Lounge of the Kowloon building last evening, when the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton presided, supported by Mr. J. H. Hunt, O.B.E., and Mr. P. S. Cassidy. Apologies for non-attendance were received from Commodore A. H. Walker, O.B.E., R.N., Colonel R. B. Cousens, D.S.O., Mr. C. C. Hickling, Mr. F. W. James and Mr. J. Fleming.

Among those present were Major-General J. W. Sandilands, Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, the Very Rev. Alfred Swann, Dean of the Cathedral, Mr. F. G. Maunder, Treasurer, Mr. J. M. McPherson, General Secretary, Mr. A. W. Ingram, Assistant Secretary, and Mr. E. F. Selk, Sports Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S SPEECH.

Hon. Mr. Shenton said:—It will be seen from the annual report that the various activities of the association have been well maintained during the past year. In the sports section the Tennis Club has had a good season showing an increase of members, a clean balance sheet and a better result in the Tennis League. The Hockey Club also reports progress and we are grateful to the Government for granting us the use of the ground at King's Park for a term of five years.

The Literary and Debating section carried out a full programme during the second half of the session, the outstanding event being the debate with the University of Oregon debating team.

We would like to see a greater interest taken in the "Quiet Hour," the devotional meeting held every Sunday night. This is the only religious meeting held in the building and it should be better supported by the members.

The New Wing.

At the commencement of the year the Directors proceeded with the erection of the new wing. His Excellency the Governor kindly performed the ceremony in connection with the stone laying on May 7. Since then the building has been completed and this year His Excellency declared the building opened. This does not come into my review this evening, but I should like to say how pleased the Directors are that the extension has been appreciated and they feel that the Association is entering on a new era.

I should also mention that Mr. E. F. Selk has been appointed an assistant secretary, with special reference to the sports section, and that his appointment has been fully justified.

Our membership is constantly growing and I am told that it has now reached the 500 mark. With the extra facilities now offered, especially the swimming bath, we may expect a further increase.

One pleasing feature made possible by the new wing has been the formation of the Women's Section. We originally named this section the *Ladies'* Section, but at the request of the ladies it will now be known as the Women's Section. An energetic committee has been appointed with Mrs. J. H. Hunt as the Hon. Secretary, and a comprehensive programme is being arranged. We are confident that this innovation will enhance the usefulness of the Association.

Satisfactory Finances.

Our financial position is satisfactory; the excess of income over expenditure for the year was $7,492.56, and after transferring $90,000 from the general surplus to the new premises fund and writing off $5,070 from the buildings, $130 from the tennis pavilion, $3,650 from the furniture and fittings $1,618.75 from the tennis court and $112 from the garage we carry forward $11,159.21.

I am glad to welcome back to our Board the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock. Sir Henry has been a strong supporter of our Association from its early days in this Colony and has for several years acted as our President. I am glad to say he is again about to occupy this position and I wish him all success.

As I am about to retire from the

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HONG KONG PEACE GROUP.

ELOQUENT DENUNCIATIONS AGAINST WAR.

That in spite of all that has been done during the last few years war is still a very real and a very terrible menace, was the theme of an address by Dr. Allen at a peace meeting on Tuesday in Lane, Crawford's restaurant.

The speaker urged that war under modern conditions was so hateful that nothing could be held to justify it. He appealed for individuals to arrive at the decision not to take part in war under any circumstances and to accept the consequences of such a decision. Pacifism was not a dogma that force was always wrong, it did not sit in judgment on the past and the men who had fought in it; it affirmed simply that there was always an honourable alternative to war and that the individual had the right to refuse to kill, even at the state's command.

Dr. K. L. Reichelt, who followed, urged the necessity of a positive approach to the whole question of international relations. He pointed out the strategical character of Hong Kong for work for world-peace. Each nationality had a contribution of its own to the total life of humanity, but it must shed whatever in it did not fit into that whole. He welcomed the rising spirit of nationalism in the youth of China but he longed to see it turned into the channels of that universalism and internationalism which expressed the true genius of the Chinese people.

It was decided to form an organisation to be known as the Hong Kong Peace Group. Membership is of two classes. Full members pledge themselves not to take part in or support any war, international or civil, and to work for the promotion of goodwill between nations. Associate members commit themselves definitely only to the second part of the pledge but express their readiness to consider the pacifist position.

Any who are in sympathy with this movement are asked to communicate with Dr. Allen.

presidentship which I have had the honour of holding for the past two years, I should like to take this opportunity of thanking my co-directors for all the assistance and support they have given me and I should at the same time like to place on record the very valuable assistance the Association has received during the past year from Mr. J. L. McPherson, M.A., our General Secretary, Mr. John H. Hunt, O.B.E., our Secretary in Charge, Mr. A. W. Ingram our Assistant Secretary and Mr. E. F. Selk also Assistant Secretary but particularly in charge of sports.

Organisation, unless it is backed by the loyal support of the members, will never make a successful Y.M.C.A. I am sure that this support will be continued and that the future prospects of our Association are such that we can confidently say that "the best is yet to be" in the future of the Hong Kong Y.M.C.A.

Election of Officers.

Then followed the election of three directors. Mr. J. C. M. Grenham proposed that the Dean the Very Rev. A. Swann, Mr. C. C. Hickling and Mr. P. S. Cassidy be elected. The proposal was seconded by Mr. A. C. Jeffreys and carried unanimously.

Vote of Thanks.

Mr. P. S. Cassidy, in proposing a vote of thanks to the retiring President, the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, spoke appreciatively of his services during his two years of presidency.

It was hardly necessary to say how much and how wholeheartedly he had worked in the interests of the Association. During the two years he had been President they had been by no means quiet as problems had come up and there had been quite a lot to do, more or less in relation to the expansion of the Association and in the building of the new lounge. The speaker thought they all owed a very deep debt of gratitude to the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton for what he had done for them. (Applause.)

Mr. Shenton, in his brief reply, thanked those present and said that the two years he had served as President had been extremely pleasant in the wholehearted support he had received from the officers, directors and every member of the Association.

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R. J. VERNALL,
Hon. Secretary.
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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT Programmes and Entry Forms for the Third Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 9th April, 1932, (weather permitting), may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, the Club House, Happy Valley, the Hong Kong Club, the Sports Club, and the Stables, Village Road.

Entries close at NOON TO-DAY.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
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NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the above named Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon on SATURDAY the 2nd day of APRIL 1932 for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing as Extraordinary Resolutions the following Resolutions.

1. That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in manner following:—
   (a) by the deletion of Article 84 and by the substitution of the following Article to be known as Article 84 in its place.
   (84) Each Director other than the ex-officio Director shall be paid out of the funds of the Company as remuneration for his services the sum of $2,000.00 per annum and such remuneration shall be deemed to accrue de die in diem and be payable by half yearly instalments.
   (b) By the insertion of the figure $15,000.00 in the place of the figures $10,000.00 in the fifth line of Article 105.
2. That the foregoing resolution shall be retrospective and shall take effect from the 1st., day of January 1932.

AND NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company will be held at the same time and place on MONDAY the 18th day of APRIL 1932 for the purpose of receiving a Report of the proceedings at the abovementioned meeting and of confirming if thought fit as Special Resolutions the above mentioned Resolutions.

Dated this 15th day of March 1932.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
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HONG KONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Hong Kong Club will be held in the Club House on THURSDAY, the 31st MARCH, 1932, at 5.30 p.m.

By Order,
T. A. ROBERTSON
Lieut. Col.,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 18th March, 1932. [1979

THE INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS & SHIPBUILDERS OF HONG KONG.

NOTICE OF MEETING

MEMBERS are hereby notified that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held in the Rooms of the Institution on THURSDAY, March 31st at 6 p.m.

A. L. LANDSBERT,
Hon. Secretary.
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ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

MRS. OMAR KITCHELL and family tender sincere thanks to their friends for the many kind expressions of sympathy in their recent bereavement, also for floral tributes sent and attendance at the funeral.

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HONG KONG, MARCH 31, 1932.

STATESMANSHIP NEEDED.

IT would seem impossible that fighting between the Chinese and Japanese should start again after a truce of nearly a month. We have got used to the idea that the Armistice is as final as that of November 11, 1918, and that the points at issue will gradually be settled, because neither side wants a renewal of hostilities. Our Shanghai correspondent writes of the expectation of a trade boom, and, whatever may happen to Manchuria the worst of Shanghai's troubles would appear to be over. Unfortunately, though the war flames have died down, the embers are alive. Where hostile armies face each other the danger to peace is imminent. Negotiations are slow and difficult, both sides are alert to slights and indiscretions, and real statesmanship is needed to pilot the Conference through the shoals. On the other hand there is hope in the obvious desire of both sides to avoid war. This may be doubted, but a truce of such length is unlikely to be merely a cover for military preparations. The other side would long ago have known if such plans were incubating, and there would have been an abrupt ending of this uneasy lull.

An immense amount must depend upon the League of Nations' Commission. It is somewhat unfortunate that it is being called the Lytton Commission, for it is an international body, drawing its authority from the League of Nations, and the Chairman is the only British representative. Its duty is to enquire into the rights and the wrongs of the Sino-Japanese clash, particularly in Manchuria, and to report to the League Council. This report will be anxiously awaited by the whole world, and by the Far East in particular. Many experienced people will no doubt say that China and Japan are best left to themselves, and that in any case neither of them will take the least notice of what the League says, except in so far as either side can turn it to its own advantage. Nations are all far removed from the stage in which they will unreservedly place their interests in the hands of the League and the League itself has a long way to go before it will inspire such confidence. But the League is a focus of world opinion, and both China and Japan have shown themselves throughout very sensitive to world opinion. China has, in Lord LYTTON'S phrase, "placed her case unreservedly in the hands of the League," while Japan knows perfectly well that Washington and Geneva, in conjunction, wield an economic power that would be dangerous to defy. The hope of China and Japan, as of all the world, is that the League of Nations' Commission will be able to suggest a solution of the Manchurian problem. That is a far more important task than the apportionment of blame for past incidents. The two nations have to share the earth and share it peacefully. Neither fighting nor the boycott weapon can decide the issue. The Report will fail or succeed upon its merits. Let the Commissioners be mistaken in their facts, or biassed in their judgment, and their pronouncement will be condemned and ignored. If the report be fair, and wise, and penetrating, the recommendations will, in the end, prevail. The Simon Report upon India called forth the yells and execrations of fanatics, but the sheer merit of that document made it the ordinary man's guide to the India problem, and, slowly what has been recommended will, with inevitable modifications, prevail. Such a Report is needed upon Manchuria and Shanghai.

An essential to the success of the Commission is that it should gain the respect and confidence of both parties. It is, therefore, a great pity that Lord LYTTON should allow himself the luxury of making more than purely formal speeches. Every word that he utters is being subjected to the fiercest scrutiny and criticism. An early remark about the functions of the League may have been true, but its utterance was unwise. Lord LYTTON was presumably selected for this most difficult task because, as a former Governor of Bengal, he has knowledge of the East, if not of the Far East. So far no sign has been given of the inscrutability, and the power of coining polite phrases meaning nothing and pleasing everyone, that are essential to good diplomacy in the Far East. No doubt Lord LYTTON'S speech at Nanking delighted the Chinese Government, but there must have been a very different reaction in Japan. Platitudes and dull speeches are annoying, and it is much to ask that an able man should hide his light under a bushel, but there are occasions to which commonplaces are more suited than the pearls of wisdom that a great pro-consul is able to dispense.

HONG KONG STOCK MARKET.

YESTERDAY'S OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

The market was again quite featureless yesterday morning, and although some interest was manifested in one or two investment stock, the rest of the list was neglected:—

Sales.

Hongkong Bank, $1,450, $1,460 and $1,475.
Hongkong Lands, $76½ to $76½.
Hongkong Realties, $10.90.
Star Ferries, $92½ to $92½.
Telephones (P.P.), $24.

Buyers.

Hongkong Bank, $1,465.
Union Insurance, $450.
China Underwriters, $4.
Douglases, $26½.
Benguets, $12.10.
H.K. and K. Wharves, $142.
Providents (old), $4.70 ex div.
Providents (new), $2½ ex div.
Hotels (rights), $2.60.
Hongkong Lands, $76½.
Chinese Estates, $95.
Hongkong Trams, $21.
H.K. Electrics, $72½.
Macao Electrics, $23.
Cements (combined), $16½.
Watsons, $15½.
Sinceres, $15.
Amusements, $20½.
Constructions (new), $1.85.

Sellers.

H.K. and K. Wharves, $144.
Malabon Sugars, $22.
South China Enterprises, $10.

★ News and Views ★

Tale of the Day.

They were standing before a large painting entitled "Echo" in an art museum.

"I suppose," said one man, "it is appropriate to depict Echo as a woman, because she always has the last word."

"On the other hand," returned the second man, "an echo speaks only when spoken to."—*Los Angeles Times.*

Vampire People.

"Queer vampire people who prey on those with whom they came in contact" were mentioned by Dr. Mary Chadwick, the psychologist, at the Professional Nursing Conference in London.

"There are extraordinary people who seem to be able to suck the energy from those around them," she said. "You generally find that this vampire person is a woman with a great desire for getting people into her power. She is often the type of woman who wants very much to be a man."

The Stirling Castle Drum.

A dramatic act of restitution followed the showing of the film "Mons" in London. A Hamburg man in the audience was much moved by an incident which portrayed the loss of a drum by the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. He had that very drum himself!

It came into his possession from a friend who had found it hidden in a lonely bush between Ham and Roye.

Afterwards the Hamburg man wrote to the commanding officer of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, offering to restore the drum. To-day it hangs in Stirling Castle and records the battle honours of the regiment for more than a century.

Second Best.

Mr. James Agate told an excellent story against himself at a theatrical dinner recently; he sat beside Miss Lilian Braithwaite.

"A little while ago," said Mr. Agate, "I was fortunate enough to find myself alone with Miss Braithwaite. I hastened to avail myself of this rare opportunity.

"'My dear lady,' I said, 'May I tell you something I have wanted to tell you for years: that you are the second most beautiful woman in the United Kingdom?'

"I naturally expected that Miss Braithwaite would ask who, in my opinion, was the woman who came before her. And I had prepared myself with a name to which it would have been interesting to see Miss Braithwaite's reaction.

"But she asked no such question. She merely looked at me with her charming smile and said, 'Thank you. I shall always cherish that, as coming from the second-best dramatic critic.'"

Wedding Dress as Shroud.

What was to have been her wedding dress was used as a shroud for Miss Mary Cook (23), of Woodthorpe, Derbyshire, who was buried at Clay Cross. She was to have been married on a Wednesday, but died on Saturday after two days' illness.

Shocking Awakening.

An amusing incident occurred last month in a coroner's court in London. A doctor, while giving evidence, fainted. He was carried out and laid flat on a table in an adjoining room, and another medical man went out to render aid.

Recovering consciousness, the doctor started up with a cry from the table on recognising that the Good Samaritan bending professionally over his prostrate form was no other than—Sir Bernard Spilsbury.

Twelve Men Say "Yes."

Twelve blushing maidens "popped the question" at a leap year ball at Toronto on February 29, at which it was agreed that the Leap Year's Day privilege should be taken advantage of.

All 12 proposals were accepted and the names of the couples publicly announced.

A Silly Billy.

Farmer Booth, of Sibsey, Lincolnshire, has a goat named Billy who, the other day, tried first to behave like Mary's little lamb, and then "acted the goat" so thoroughly that he was arrested by the police.

At Spilsby Police Court it was stated that he

Walked to Sibsey School.
Gave the children a "gym" display.
Stood on his hind legs.
Tried to stand on his head,
Failed,
Walked away in disgust,
Met two ladies,
Began to repeat his tricks,
Scared the two ladies (who informed the police), and
Tried to butt a constable.

Farmed Booth was ordered to pay five shillings.

Sank 500,000 Tons.

Capt. Lothar Von Arnauld de la Periere, who recently retired from the German Navy, was the doughtiest foe we had in the war. As a submarine captain he established a veritable reign of terror in the Mediterranean.

In those waters and in the Atlantic he claimed to have sunk 500,000 tons of shipping, and this total, it is understood, is accepted by the Admiralty. Von Arnauld, however, was a chivalrous fighter, and despite the havoc he wrought his name never figured on our "black list."

When seen in Germany a few years ago he was in command of the new cruiser Emden. He was regarded as the best all-round seaman in the Reichsmarine.

There is a legend that his father was a French officer, who was captured in the war of 1870, but this is incorrect. Von Arnauld comes of a French Huguenot family which sought refuge in Germany after the revocation of the Edict of Nantes. The redoubtable Lothar was born at Posen and is now in his 46th year.

Oxford's Theatres.

When the new Prince of Wales' Theatre at Oxford is built—it is to hold over 2,000 people—the "city of spires" will be well equipped dramatically.

The chief theatre at present, the New Theatre, is not very new, for it came into being largely through the efforts of the undergraduates, of the late Lord Curzon, and the late Arthur Bourchier.

There is also far more modern Playhouse, which Mr. J. B. Fagan directed. And undergraduates of a previous generation will remember riotous nights at a little theatre on the other side of the river.

There the brass instruments of the orchestra had the bell-shaped portion covered with wire gauze to prevent well-aimed missiles lodging therein.

Thousand Miles an Hour.

Sir Alan Cobham, who has such wide experience in aviation, predicts with confidence that in a few years' time we will fly at the rate of 1,000 miles an hour.

To the members of the Royal Empire Society he gave an alluring, if somewhat imaginative, picture of flight in the future. At 1,000 miles an hour, he explained, you would be able to get round the world in a day.

Starting from London after breakfast, one would arrive in America in time for breakfast, and, following the westward course, each halt would coincide with that meal.

The Master of Sempill spoke of the ease with which autogyros are handled, and recalled that Dr. Hele-Shaw, the distinguished engineer, who is in his 79th year, told him he had thought of getting one, as he imagined it was the only type he could land without crashing.

67,000 Fewer Babies.

Sixty-seven thousand fewer little Germans came into the world in the first nine months of 1931 than in the same period in 1930. This birth-rate is the lowest on record, and the rate was still lower in the last quarter of 1931.

It is estimated that the total increase in the population of Germany, which is more than 63,000,000, during 1931 will be found to be not much more than 300,000.

In Poland, whose population is half that of Germany, the increase is 500,000.

Germany has now a lower birth-rate than France. Sweden has the lowest birth-rate in Europe, and Great Britain the next lowest.

It is stated that 40 per cent. of the married couples of Germany have no children.

Five Days on Ledge.

Dazed and exhausted after a terrible five days marooned on a slippery ledge over a 500ft. precipice in the Paarl Mountains, Cape Province, the 22-year-old climber, Bootie August, was carried into Paarl Hospital by a party of rescuers.

August and another climber lost their way among the mountains. The friend lost his footing and fell to his death in the gorge.

Wives Will Know.

All workers employed by the city of Brussels are to be paid by postal cheque. Wives are delighted, because they will know how much their husbands earn, but the trade unions are dissatisfied.

Union delegates used to stand at the pay offices and collect from the workers his subscription. It is feared that members will not be so prompt now in paying.

★ Local Notes and Events ★

The Hong Kong dollar was quoted at 1s 3⅝d yesterday.

The proposed Painting Exhibition, arranged by St. John's Hall of the University, will not take place in St. Paul's Girls' College owing to difficulties of transport.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending March 12, 1932, amounted to 91,632 metric tons, and the sales during the period to 94,101 metric tons.

One case of small-pox, one of diphtheria and one of cerebro-spinal fever were reported on Tuesday. During last week there were 17 cases (7 deaths) of small-pox, 1 case of diphtheria, 4 cases of enteric fever, 3 cases (1 death) of cerebro-spinal fever and 43 death from pulmonary tuberculosis.

From the Files.

Looking Back 25 Years.

His Excellency the Governor will be "at home" at Government House on Thursday April 14 from 4.30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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It is well known that the Police of Hong Kong have employed the system of finger prints to assist in the identification of prisoners. The results have been very satisfactory, and it is rather interesting to find that the science has been developed to meet peculiar local conditions. In one station it has been customary to take foot prints as well and as the lines on the skin on the sole of the foot can be classified in a similar manner, this new aid in the detection of criminals is likely to be of some value. *Hong Kong Daily Press.* March 31, 1907.

Looking Back 50 Years.

According to the Peking correspondent of the *North China Daily News*, a censor has complained of the corruption of the native Customs officials. It would appear that the memorialist objects to the system of farming out the revenue, approves of the foreign customs system, and asks for an edict to the effect that however much may be collected, all must be given to the Emperor.—*Hong Kong Daily Press.* March 31, 1882.

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POLICEMAN IN TROUBLE.

MISCONDUCT PROVED.

The case in which a Shantung police constable is charged with the larceny of a dollar and with misconducting himself as a police officer was concluded before Mr. J. A. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when the man was discharged on the count of stealing but was found guilty of misconducting himself and ordered to pay a fine of $100 or to go to prison for two months in default.

The prosecution was conducted by Mr. D. Calthrop, A.S.P., assisted by Inspector Ellis, Officer in Charge of Mong Kok police station. The defendant was represented by Mr. M. A. da Silva.

It will be recalled that the prosecution alleged that the defendant went into a house in Argyle Street on February 16 last, and after stealing a dollar from a drawer, drew his revolver on the men who remonstrated with him. It was alleged that the men took away the constable's revolver and held him until the arrival of an Inspector.

Defendant's Story.

At yesterday's hearing of the case the defendant went into the witness box and gave a completely different version of the affair.

He said that on February 16 at 10.30 in the morning he was a passenger in a bus travelling along Nathan Road towards the Kowloon Ferry. When it stopped at Argyle Street a man named Ng Heung called him by his number. He descended from the bus and was told by the man that there was a "small matter" in the Mong Kok market, and that as a detective from Yaumati he needed his help.

The two men went along Argyle Street to the junction of Reclamation Street, where a crowd of ten men set upon the constable and took away his revolver and held him until an Inspector came along. He tried to explain to the Inspector what had happened, but was unable to make himself understood.

Mr. Fraser, at the conclusion of the evidence, held that the defendant should be discharged on the count of larceny but that the charge of misconducting himself as a police officer was proved, and sentenced him as stated above.

SINO-JAPANESE PEACE CONFERENCE

CLIMAX EXPECTED TO-DAY

WHERE WILL JAPAN BILLET HER 50,000 MEN?

WITHDRAWAL TIME LIMIT THE "THORNY QUESTION"

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, March 30.

A climax to the peace negotiations is expected on Thursday morning.

Prospects of success became more dim when the military sub-Committee, after spending the entire morning exploring avenues for a solution of the problem of Japanese withdrawal reported no success.

The point of cleavage is apparently the question of Woosung, which the Japapese desire to retain for the time being.

Another militating factor, which is impeding the success of the Conference, is the question of a time limit for the Japanese withdrawal; the Chinese wishing the limit to be three months, but the Japanese are reluctant to bind themselves.

MAJOR KUGA'S SUICIDE

Major Kuga, a battalion commander of the Ninth Japanese Division, who a fortnight ago was released at Nanking after detention as a war prisoner, shot himself in the mouth on the very spot in the village of Kiangwan where he was captured by Chinese troops.

The Major and his men fought for two days without rations, the Major was wounded in the arm and chest by a hand grenade.

The suicide is attributed to the spirit of Bushido.

PROGRESS EXCEEDINGLY SLOW

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, March 30.

The Peace Conference is making progress. To-day's sessions advancing matters considerably, according to a Sino-Japanese *communiqué* issued this evening.

This afternoon the military sub-committee discussed points to where the Japanese would withdaw, and the *communiqué* says that though progress is exceedingly slow, it now seems there is hope of agreement concerning the extent of the Japanese withdrawal, but a more thorny question lies in the proposed setting of a time limit for the complete withdrawal of the Japanese into the Settlement and extra Settlement road areas.

Japanese opinion, this evening, inclines to optimism. The Japanese are not now demanding to hold the entire territory eastward of the Woosung Railway, but only certain localities in that territory which are considered necessary for the billetting of their 50,000 men, and 5,000 horses.

The crux of the matter is finding billetting places, which from the Chinese view is "adjacent to the Settlement" and from the Japanese view to give sufficient room to quarter their army.

LEAGUE MISSION ITINERARY

NANKING, Mar. 30.

The members of the Lytton Commission propose to leave for Hankow on April 1, although considerable opposition is voiced in the Chinese newspapers of this itinerary.

Chinese circles desired the Commission to proceed direct to Manchuria, but one of the members stated, in a brief interview with Reuter, that they were proceeding to Hankow because it was part of their plan "to see all."

EMBASSY DISTURBANCE SEQUEL

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Mar. 30.

Eighteen radicals were fined from one hundred to three hundred dollars, or thirty to sixty days' imprisonment, for their part in the disturbance outside the Japanese Embassy on March 26.

CHIANG ENTERTAINS LEAGUE COMMISSION

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, Mar. 30.

General and Madame Chiang Kai Shek entertained in honour of the Lytton Commissioners this evening.

Chiang stated that the arrival of the Commission at Shanghai had aroused hopes in the Chinese people that sunshine would follow the storm, and he hoped that the peace of the Far East and a just settlement of the Sino-Japanese dispute would be achieved by the Commission.

Chiang did not deliver the speech himself, the feature of the evening being a sound-picture of the Generalissimo giving his speech. This was taken by a U.S. cameraman yesterday.

CANTON WATER-WORKS

NEW PUMPING STATION COMPLETED

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, March 30.

Last Monday marked the completion of the new water plant and pumping station of the Canton Waterworks, a Government enterprise at Tsiangpo in the westrn suburb of the city. The occasion was celebrated by a gathering at Tsiangpo in which a number of high officials of the Municipal Government, including Mr. Liu Chi Wan, the new Mayor, were present. A number of speeches on the significance of the improvement thus made were delivered.

Work on the new plant and pumping station was first started three years ago when Mr. Lin Yun Koy was Mayor of Canton. The total cost was $2,040,000, all of which was taken from the Municipal Treasury. The new pump is capable of delivering ten million gallons of water per day. With these improvements, the water authorities state that there will be no shortage of water in Canton.

THE SOVIET PAYS IN GOLD

LARGE CONSIGNMENT FOR GERMANY

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

RIGA, Mar. 29.

A consignment of one hundred and sixteen cases of Soviet gold passed through Riga to-day *en route* from Moscow to Berlin.

This is the second of a series of gold payments for agricultural and other machinery bought by the Soviet in Germany.

JAPAN'S COMING FISCAL YEAR

ESTIMATES APPROVED BY CABINET

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, Mar. 30.

The Cabinet has approved the estimates for the coming fiscal year.

Expenditure ... Yen14,502,000,000
Revenue Yen13,504,000,000

The Cabinet decided to consider the supplementary estimate of expenditure for new enterprises on April 4.

BENGAL'S NEW GOVERNOR.

SIR JOHN ANDERSON ON HIS TASK.

Sir John Anderson, who has just succeeded Sir Stanley Jackson as Governor of Bengal, made some personal references to the reasons for his appointment before he left England. The occasion was a luncheon given in his honour by the Royal Empire Society by the Hotel Victoria.

There had been some speculation on the subject both at home and in India, said Sir John. "Some of the brighter spirits," he went on, "have hinted at some sort of colour scheme they thought the Secretary of State for India had in his mind—something about Black and Tan. (Laughter.) In other words, they thought, or professed to think, that I had been chosen for this office because of my experience during a difficult period in Ireland.

Lesson From Ireland.

"I have not much faith in analogies. I am certain the Secretary of State realised from the beginning that some attempt would be made to use such analogy as there may be between Ireland and India unfairly in order to create prejudice in relation to my appointment. And he chose me not because of that risk, but in spite of it. (Cheers.)

"My colleagues and myself, in Ireland, were concerned not merely with the tasks of executive government, but we had to prepare the way for the transference of the powers of government to a new set of authorities. The task was undertaken after the appeal to force had been abandoned, and, with the greatest good will on both sides, was carried to success. (Cheers).

Ireland represented only three of the twenty-seven years during which he had gained that range of experience as a public servant in which, he believed, his best prospect of being useful in India lay.

There was an art of administration which had nothing to do with politics, and was not local in its application. He did not know whether some such consideration had led to his selection for this responsible post. He would never claim to be a strong Imperialist. He had, however, a profound faith in the future of this country, and believed it was still in our power to be a most potent force for good in the world. (Cheers.)

"That is the spirit in which I am going out," Sir John added. "I known I am not going for any joyride. I go with a single aim—to use such talents as God has given me, and such experience as I have gained, in the interests of good government in India. I go with an open mind, with every desire to avoid hasty judgment, and to profit by any experience that can be placed at my disposal, from whatever quarter." (Cheers.)

"A First-Class Man."

Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary for India, remarked. "We are sending out to Bengal a first-class man to deal with a difficult situation, with absolute confidence that he will succeed. He is going to begin a new chapter of friendly co-operation. He is going to help forward the constitutional work on which we are now engaged, along the lines of good will and co-operation, upon which both Houses of Parliament have agreed with overwhelming majorities, and on which we are determined to go forward with confidence and resolution in the future." (Cheers.)

EAST AFRICA FLIGHT

R.A.F. MACHINES SAFELY BACK

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Mar. 29.

Royal Air Force machines arrived at Heliopolis to-day on the conclusion of their East Africa flight.

A flight from the 216 Bomber Transport Squadron, which has flown from Heliopolis to Somaliland and is now on the way back, left Khartoum for Khasm-El-Girba to-day.

U.S.A. BUDGET DEFICIT

CONGRESS DETERMINED TO "TOE THE LINE"

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, Mar. 30.

That reaction to the Budget had changed the tone in the House of Representatives was given evidence yesterday, when members rose enthusiastically to respond to the eloquence of one speaker, and, irrespective of party, showed their determination to secure a balanced budget was given prominence in New York's papers to-day.

Alongside plaudits in the Press for the Congress resolution to "Toe the line in face of difficulty," is placed an announcement of Pres. Hoover's determination to veto the proposed redemption of soldiers' bonus certificates, if it is presented to him for assent.

"This cannot fail to re-assure doubters whether they shelter at home or abroad that Congress with the undoubted backing of the American people has made up its mind that it must toe the mark," says the *New York Times*. "The time has arrived to scrape and save all we can in public expenditure, then to pay whatever taxes are necessary to square the Government's income and expenditure. The process may be disagreeable, even painful, but it is the result of our national folly and extravagance during flash times. There is nothing to do but face it."

NEW BALANCING TAX BILL.

NEW YORK, March 29.

The strenuous efforts being made in Washington to adjust political differences in order to balance the budget were reflected to-day in a rally in U.S. Government securities and a subsidence of European selling of gold dollars.

As a result of the improvement in the tone, sterling fell from 3.81½ to 3.77½.

A dramatic appeal was made by Mr. Garner, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, during a discussion of ways and means to balance the Budget. His speech was greeted with general cheers.

The Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives have now prepared and submitted a Budget Balancing Tax Bill, with the object of raising the sum of G.$1,261,000,000 needed to meet the deficit.

Postage Increases.

The Bill proposes a tax of one-fourth of one per cent. on stock sales, a three per cent. tax on motor-cars, an increase in first-class postage from two to three cents, and excise taxes on furs, cosmetics, jewellery, etc.

Special surtaxes recommended include incomes of a minimum of G.$6,000 instead of a minimum of $10,000.

A theatre tax is also provided from which G.$40,000,000 is expected.

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.30 p.m., stated:—

The anti-cyclone remains stationary over Shantung, and continues to increase in intensity.

Local Forecast:—N.E. winds, moderate; cloudy, some drizzle or mist.

LINDBERGH BABY MYSTERY

NOW REPORTED IN HANDS OF RUM-RUNNERS

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, Mar. 30.

Rum-runners on the Atlantic seaboard are mobilising; their purpose being to blockade, the kidnappers who are reported to have the Lindbergh baby aboard a ship somewhere off the coast.

According to the *New York Mirror* it is revealed that it was a rum-runner who offered to act as a go-between.

It is stated that rum-runners feel their honour is at stake in giving the Lindberghs fair-play.

Why Char. Junr. Was Kidnapped?

ST. LOUIS, Mar. 30.

The police interrogated for three hours a negro ex-convict, described as an Illinois gangsters associate, who is reported to have stated that the kidnapping was originated for the sole purpose of bringing pressure on the Prison Authorities for the release of Al Capone.

LABOUR BACKING DE VALERA

IMPORTANT RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT BLACKPOOL

(Reuter's Special Service.)

LONDON, Mar. 30.

An emergency resolution recognising the right of Irish people to decide their own form of Government proposed by Mr. Maxton, M.P., was adopted by the Independent Labour Party Conference, at Blackpool, at which Mr. Gatgood, the Irish delegate, stated that the labour movement in Ireland was following Mr. De Valera.

BRITISH BUDGET BALANCED

PATRIOTISM OF INCOME TAX PAYERS

(Reuter's Special Service.)

London, March 29.—Britain's budget has been balanced. In fact, it is already certain that there will be a small surplus in the national accounts when they are made up on Thursday night, when the financial year closes.

Britain will thus be one of the few countries in the world able to boast that the past year has paid its way, and that in spite of increased overseas commitments by reason of the abandonment of the gold standard.

The hero of the occasion is undoubtedly the income-tax payer, who has not only paid up, but paid up promptly.

His "grim" sacrifice has saved the whole nation.

Since December 31, the income-tax payer has contributed more than £200,000,000 to the national exchequer, and the total revenue from income-tax is the biggest since 1922/23 when the rate was also five shillings in the pound.

There is every indication that the surtaxes payable from people with incomes of more than £2,000 per annum will also exceed the estimates.

THAMES-SIDE WAGES DISPUTE

PAY-CUT NOTICES POSTED

(Reuter's Special Service.)

LONDON, Mar. 29.

It is feared that eight thousand dock-workers on Thames-side will be involved in trouble arising from a wages dispute. Pay-cuts have been suggested by the employers and refused by the Dockers' Union, but the shipowners have decided to proceed with their programme.

Notices were posted at the docks to-day, announcing that the new piece-work tariff for stevedores will come into operation on April 11.

The tariff involves reductions in pay, the negotiations for which have been in progress since December last, but were interrupted by the strike of February 16.

Only dock-workers engaged in working ocean-going ships will be affected.

BANK ROBBERY IN U.S.A.

MISCREANTS GET AWAY WITH $50,000 CASH

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MINNEAPOLIS, Mar. 30.

With machine-guns, shot-guns and pistols to enforce their demands, seven robbers held-up an outlying branch of the North-Western National Bank at the opening hour. They seized $50,000 cash and $150,000 of securities. The whole operation taking less than ten minutes.

The only clue to the identity of the robbers is a hat containing a cleaner's mark which was dropped by one as they decamped.

LONDON, Mar. 29.

The Rev. George Francis Graham-Brown has been appointed Bishop of Jerusalem.

He was born in Lanchoo, where his father was a missionary with the China Inland Mission.—Reuter.

EXPLOSION AT FILM STUDIO

TWO PEOPLE KILLED: THIRTY INJURED

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

ZAGREB, Yugoslavia, Mar. 30.

Hundreds were trapped by fire following an explosion in the studios of the Star Film Company which destroyed the main staircase and a seven storey building, sending flames leaping to the sky.

Many terrified members of the staff jumped from the second floor and were seriously injured.

The casualties so far ascertained are two killed and 30 sent to hospital, but it is feared the casualties are much heavier.

FEDERATION OF C. EUROPE

FRANCO-BRITISH MEETING

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, March 29.

Discussions are proceeding regarding the methods of approaching the Danubian problem and it has been decided to arrange for a conference of the four great Powers, to be followed by a conference of the Danubian States.

The object of the Four-Power Conference would be to lay down the general guiding principles which would assist the conference of Danubian States to arrive at some scheme of federation.

Although the date and place of the preliminary conference has not yet been settled, it is hoped that it may be held next week, before the opening of the resumed sittings of the Disarmament Conference.

Meanwhile, it is known that the French Premier, Monsieur Tardieu, will be in London next Monday for a general preliminary discussion with the Prime Minister and the Foreign Secretary on Danubian Affairs.

Talks in London Next Week.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Paris, March 29.—It is officially announced that M. Tardieu, the Prime Minister, and M. Flandin, the Minister of Finance, will leave for London on April 3. They will converse with Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and other British Ministers on the 4th, and will return to Paris on the 5th.

KREUGER SUICIDE REACTIONS

SAFETY STEPS BY GOVERNMENT

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 30.

The Government in co-operation with leading members of Parliament, is formulating a plan to support the credit of the most vulnerable institutions under present conditions.

Accordingly, a Bill is to be presented to Parliament after the Easter Recess. The measure will also indirectly tend to support certain branches of national economy which are exposed to risk.

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 30.

As a sequel to the Kreuger and Toll crisis, the Government have arranged a loan of Kr.100,000,000 in order to maintain the liquidity of Skandinaviska Kredit Aktiebolag which has been badly shaken. Swedish private banks have likewise promised assistance with Kr.50,000,000; while the Treasury will assume responsibility of the banks' liabilities to the National Bank exceeding the Government loan.

(Reuter's Special Service.)

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 30.

That in all probability the Government is placing funds at the disposal of the Kreuger concerns requiring them in the next quarter is forecasted by the newspaper *Aftonbladet*.

It now appears to be expected that the prolongation of the moratorium granted to the Kreuger and Toll Company will be insufficient to enable a provisional settlement of the company's affairs to be made, according to the Government organ *Svenska Morgenbladet*. The *Morgenbladet* thinks that further measures are also desirable for the purpose not only of protecting Swedish bonds but also shares of other Kreuger concerns against excessive realisation.

METAL EXCHANGE PRICES

DECREASES REPORTED ALL ROUND

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Mar. 29.

On the metal exchange, there was a fall of £3 6s. 3d. in the price of tin to £138 3s. 9d. per ton, which is the lowest touched since last September.

The quotations for copper weakened 17s. 6d. to £31 18s. 1½d.

The price of gold declined 3s. 3d. to 108s. 11d.

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Sports News

H.K.C.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

FINCHER AND GOLDMAN ENTER SEMI-FINAL.

ELIMINATE PORTUGUESE IN QUICK TIME.

Recognised to be the strongest combination to challenge the Rumjahn cousins for the Open Doubles title, E. C. Fincher and L. Goldman gave an indication of their real ability yesterday afternoon by beating H. A. Barros and F. J. Remedios in straight sets, 6-1, 6-4. They did it in quick time, and gave a very good impression, playing polished tennis throughout. They now meet the winners of the tie Ho Ka Lau and Yew Man Kit *v.* Luk Ding Cheung and Lee Wai Tong.

Goldman was seen to advantage in yesterday's match. At overhead, he killed splendidly, his smashing being deadly accurate, while at the base line he directed many cross court forehand drives which his opponents failed to return. Fincher backed him up extremely well, taking most of the low volleys which he returned with very good control, with the result that he worked many openings for his partner, who made full use of them. So effectively did they combine in the opening set that the Portuguese found they had to deal with a consistent barrage of hard shots, against which, of course, they could do little.

The Portuguese rallied however in the second set, which produced some struggle, although their opponents were never in any danger of losing it. Remedios asserted himself and was mainly responsible for what little opposition his side offered. Laxity on the part of Goldman and Fincher, however, enabled the Portuguese to gain a useful lead of 2 games to love, but after a little struggle the former equalised and forged ahead to lead 3-2. At this stage, Barros and Remedios played pluckily and by taking risks, which came off, and mixing their shots with judicious lobbing, which temporarily upset their opponents, they took the score to 4-3 in their favour, but that proved to be the last straw, Fincher and Goldman ending the match by deadly shots in the next three games.

A few matches were also decided in the Club events, the detailed results of yesterday being:—

Open Doubles.

E. C. Fincher and L. Goldman beat H. A. Barros and F. J. Remedios 6-1, 6-4.

Handicap Singles "B."

A. C. Beck (rec. 3/6) beat F. G. Nigel (rec. 2/6) 6-1, 6-1.

V. R. Gordon (owe 15) beat D. B. Robb (rec. 15) 4-6, 6-2, 8-6.

Mixed Doubles.

Lt.-Col. and Mrs. Lecky (scr.) beat A. J. Palmer and Miss F. M. Stevenson (rec. 15) 6-1, 6-1.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

Open Singles.

S. A. Rumjahn *v.* J. A. F. Cassumbhoy.

Open Doubles.

Ho Ka Lau and Yew Man Kit *v.* Lee Wai Tong and Luk Ding Cheung.

Club Championship.

A. L. Sullivan *v.* A. H. Harkins.
F. A. Redmond *v.* A. D. Humphreys.

Handicap Singles "B."

H. Lampard (owe 3/6) *v.* V. R. Gordon (owe 15).

J. V. Jensen (rec. 4/6) *v.* E. H. Williams (rec. 4/6).

Handicap Doubles.

G. C. Worrell and B. L. Stock (scr.) *v.* T. J. Price and E. R. Price (owe 1/6).

R. M. Henderson and T. C. Monaghan (owe 3/6) *v.* D. M. MacDougall and T. W. A. Tufton (owe 15).

Mixed Doubles.

E. Grimble and Miss R. Hancock (owe 15/1) *v.* N. L. H. Railton and Mrs. Stafford Smith (owe 2/6).

HOME FOOTBALL.

ENGLISH LEAGUE MATCH RESULTS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Mar. 30.

The following were the results of football matches played on Tuesday in the English League:—

Division I.

Birmingham	1	Manchester C.	5
Huddersfield	4	Liverpool	3
Leicester	4	Newcastle	2

Division II.

Bradford	2	Wolves	1
Leeds	1	Bradford C.	1

Division III. (South).

Northampton	3	Coventry	2
Luton	7	Norwich	1

Division III. (North).

Walsall	4	Halifax	2

LOCAL CRICKET.

CHAMPIONS' LAST MATCH OF SEASON.

The Indian Recreation Club, winners of the senior cricket shield for the current season, will play their last league match of the season on Saturday when they entertain Kowloon Cricket Club at Sookunpoo. The game starts at 2 p.m. sharp and the Indians will be represented by:—A. A. Rumjahn (captain), F. D. Pereira, S. R. Kermani, A. H. Rumjahn, A. H. Madar, S. A. Ismail, O. Ismail, A. R. Minu, A. K. Minu, J. S. A. Curreem and H. D. Rumjahn. Reserve: I. S. A. Curreem.

The Seconds.

The following will represent the I.R.C. seconds in a league match against Kowloon at King's Park on Saturday at 2 p.m. It will be interesting to note that while the K.C.C. must win to have enough points for championship honours, a draw will give the Indians the shield for the second year in succession:—M. R. Abbas (captain), A. R. Abbas, F. M. el Arculli, A. T. Barma, A. K. Ismail, S. Ismail, M. P. Madar, K. Nazarin, A. M. Rumjahn, A. R. Suffiad and A. S. Suffiad.

The Kowloon Team.

Kowloon will be represented in this match by:—H. Overy (captain), F. E. Skinner, F. S. W. Smith, F. E. Lawrence, J. Hunter, A. R. F. Raven, O. B. Raven, G. Lee, A. A. Dand, H. Hampton and J. Chadwick.

CLUB *v.* NAVY.

The following will represent the Hong Kong Cricket Club against the Navy on the Club Ground on Saturday, April 2, at 2.00 p.m.

H. Owen Hughes (Captain).
A. C. Beck.
A. C. I. Bowker.
E. R. Duckitt.
R. H. Griffiths.
D. McLellan.
E. J. R. Mitchell.
J. E. Potter.
A. Reid.
L. T. Ride.
A. J. R. Wolff.

Volunteer Team.

The following will represent the Volunteers on Sunday, April 3 commencing at 11.00 a.m. sharp on the Royal Navy Ground at King's Park against the United Services.

E. J. R. Mitchell (Captain).
A. C. Beck.
J. E. Richardson.
N.A.E. Mackay.
F. S. W. Smith.
A. Reid.
R. M. Wood.
R. H. Griffiths.
D. McLellan.
J. E. Potter.
W. D. Folley.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

TWO CHARITY GAMES ON SATURDAY.

CIVILIANS AND SERVICES.

The following have been selected to represent the "Civilians" in charity football matches on the H.K.F.C. ground on Saturday, April 2:—

Junior Game.

(Kick-off at 3 p.m. sharp).

Fogwell (Club); Hynes (Club), Eastman (Kowloon); A. Railton (Club), Whitfield (Kowloon), Capt. Blake (Kowloon); Phillips (Kowloon), Elms (Radio), Puncheon (Club), F. Santos (Recreio), J. Santos (Recreio). White shirts will be worn.

Referee: Mr. E. T. Ford, R.N. Linesmen: Messrs. Fieldhouse and Gomes.

Senior Game.

(Kick-off at 4.30 p.m. sharp).

Rodger (Club); Martin (Kowloon), Strange (Club); Skinner (Club), McKelvie (Kowloon) (Captain), Bliss (Kowloon); B. Gosano (Recreio), Segalen (Club), A. V. Gosano (Recreio), Leonard (St. Joseph's) and G. Phile (Police). Blue shirts will be worn.

Reserves: A. Duncan, Foley, Cornwall and Channing.

Referee: Cpl. Holland, R.N. Linesmen: Messrs. Pooley and Lawrence.

The Services will supply the opposition. Proceeds from these games will be given to the dependents of the late C.Q.M.S. Mullen, Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders.

INTER-CLUB ROWING REGATTA.

WELCOME VISITORS FROM MANILA.

The first triangular rowing contest for many years will be held at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, North Point at 3 p.m., April 2 when the Manila Boat Club will make their first appearance in any regatta on Hong Kong waters and are meeting crews from the Canton Rowing Club, who have not been seen here for two years, and from the R.H.K.Y.C. The representatives from Manila are here already and have much impressed local experts, reports from Canton indicate that their crews are in tip-top shape and the local crews are certainly well together so local enthusiasts will witness some keen racing.

The premises of the R.H.K.Y.C. are being thrown open to all interested in rowing, launches have been kindly lent by firms so that the races may be following in comfort. The launches leave Statue Pier for the club at 2.15 p.m.

At the conclusion of what promises to be a most successful regatta Lady Peel will present the prizes and in the evening the club is holding a dinner-dance at the Peninsula Hotel which will be attended by over two hundred people.

POKFULAM MURDER.

FURTHER EVIDENCE YESTERDAY.

Tsang Kun-ching, uncle of Tsang Tai-kai who was murdered in the Peak—Pokfulam Road on February 18, last, gave evidence at Central Magistracy yesterday when the case against the four Chinese for the murder of the lad was continued before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones. Mr. T. M. Hazelrigg was for the Crown.

In the witness-box Tsang Kun-ching said that on the night of February 18 last, he was at home when the fourth defendant called with two letters which the bearer said were from the deceased. As they were not addressed to him, witness said that he would not open them but the man stated that he (witness) might do so as he was waiting for a a reply.

Witness told the Court that, prior to reading the letters, he asked the defendant who gave him the letters, whereupon the man stated that they were from the deceased who was in an opium divan in the central district.

After reading the letters, continued witness, he asked the defendant for his name and, following a long discussion, he decided to take the matter to the police. He therefore went to the station with the defendant in company with members of his family and some friends and on the way they met a Chinese constable who asked what the matter was. On being told the constable arrested the man and took him to the Shaukiwan Police Station where he was later charged.

Hearing will be continued this afternoon.

"HELENA MAY" CONCERT.

PROGRAMME FOR TO-DAY'S ENTERTAINMENT.

The following is the programme for to-day's concert at the Helena May Institute:—

Soloists:—Mrs. E. Snowden-Jones (Soprano), Mr. V. Derenevsky (Violin), Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith (Piano). At the Piano: Mr. F. Mason, A.R.C.O., L.T.C.L.

1.—Piano Solos—
(a) Soaring ..... Schumann.
(b) Caprice ..... Sinding.
(c) Country Gardens (Handkerchief Dance)...Grainger.

2. Elizabethan Love Songs Arranged by Frederick Keel
(a) Flow not so fast, ye Fountains...John Dowland.
(b) When Laura Smiles Phillip Rosseter.
(c) Sweet Kate ...Robert Jones.

3.—Violin Solos—
(a) Romance from 2nd Concerto ..... Wieniawski.
(b) Liebesfreud ..... Kreisler.

4.—Piano Solo—
Scherzo in B flat Minor Chopin.

5.—Songs—
(a) Ships of Arendy Michael Head.
(b) A Piper ..... Michael Head.
(c) Gathering Daffodils Arthur Somervell.

6.—Concerto for Violin and Orchestra ..... Tchaikowsky. (1st Movement)

Orchestral part played on Piano.

Forthcoming Concerts.

On April 14 (Thursday, at 5.30 p.m.), Miss Marie Gomes will give a pianoforte recital. Tickets 55 cents each including tax.

On April 13 and 20, at 9.30 p.m. the Schneider Trio will give two piano trio concerts. Tickets $4.40 and $3.30 each, including tax.

BOMB SENSATION.

EXPLOSION IN CATHEDRAL COMPOUND.

MYSTERIOUS INCIDENT.

Passengers on the 9 a.m. Peak Tram yesterday morning had a remarkable escape from serious injury and possible death when a bomb exploded in Battery Path, blowing a Cathedral coolie named Tsoi Yun over a wall to Murray Parade Ground 25 feet below, where he was picked up in a grave condition.

The explosion occurred just as the first passenger from the nine o'clock tram was entering Battery Path from Garden Road. A well-known local gentleman, told a *Daily Press* representative that when he arrived on the scene of the explosion he found a large cloud of smoke hanging about, which had an acid smell, somewhat similar to that of acetyline gas. There was a crowd of coolies there, and on looking over the wall onto Murray Parade Ground he saw the injured man, apparently blackened by the explosion and bleeding from the head, lying in a small nullah about twenty-five feet below.

Bomb Buried in Ground?

The point where the explosion took place is about half way along the path and immediately opposite the Cathedral. Between the path and the wall overlooking the Parade Ground is a strip of garden or shrubbery, about six feet in width, and it is believed that the bomb had been buried in the soft earth, and that the unfortunate man had either disturbed it with his foot or, having unearthed it, in some way let it off.

Tsoi Yun is now in the Government Civil Hospital suffering from wounds in the face, chest and hands, and internal injuries sustained in the fall, and is in a critical condition.

The detonation was heard as far away as the Kowloon Ferry and, as some residents claim, on the mid-levels. It blew a small hole in the ground, but leaves and pieces of shrubbery were blown over a large area, while pieces of the bomb were later picked up by the police eighty feet from the scene.

At the time of the explosion a platoon of troops from the South Wales Borderers were drilling on Murray Parade Ground and immediately following the occurrence the Fathers from the French Mission nearby were on the scene. It is understood that the Fathers telephoned for the ambulance, for it very soon arrived to take the man to hospital, after which soldiers were seen clearing away traces of blood from the spot where he had lain.

"A Jam-Pot."

From fragments of the bomb recovered by the police it would seem that it was of the Mills type, but a sheet of metal, apparently the remains of a tin cannister, lends colour to the alternative theory that the bomb was of the kind known as "jam-pot:" the police version is that it was a Mills type of bomb inside a tin cannister, which seems the most likely story.

On Tuesday afternoon and evening Cathedral coolies had been engaged in cleaning up the shrubbery, and it is understood that a mass of rubbish had actually been burned quite close to the site of the explosion, so that a number of people must have had lucky escapes from serious injury.

The police are working on the case, but unless the injured coolie recovers sufficiently to make a statement their task will probably prove a difficult one.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, March 29.

Paris	95⅞
New York	3.77½
Montreal	4.20
Brussels	27 1/32
Geneva	19.47½
Amsterdam	9.35½
Milan	73½
Berlin	15½
Stockholm	18.70
Copenhagen	18.15
Oslo	18.29/32
Vienna	32 nom.
Prague	127½
Helsingfors	215
Madrid	49½
Lisbon	109½
Athens	300
Bucharest	655
Rio	3.15/16
Buenos Aires	37
Montevideo	20 nom.
Bombay	1/6 3/32
Shanghai	1/8 13/16
Hong Kong	1/3⅛
Yokohama	1/9½
Silver (spot & forward)	17 11/16

A WOMAN'S SECRET.

SILENCE FOR THREE MONTHS.

Mrs. Gladys Tressider, who lies paralysed in Southampton Hospital—where she was taken after being found shot in a bedroom at the South Western Hotel on November 14 beside the dead body of a man who was at first thought to be her husband—will probably be able to attend the adjourned inquest on March 31.

For some time her life was despaired of. As the result of the bullet wound she is paralysed below the waist.

It is likely that her relatives will arrange for her to leave the hospital shortly.

Her companion, who had been shot through the head, was Roland Herbert Draper (55), formerly an assistant purser in the Merchant Service. The inquest has been adjourned several times in the hope that Mrs. Tressider would recover sufficiently to give evidence.

Bedside Watch Ceases.

Until a fortnight ago a police-woman was constantly at her bedside, but the watch has now been withdrawn.

Mrs. Tressider has not made a statement to the police concerning the shooting and is reluctant to discuss it.

It is probable that, when the inquest is resumed, facts that have been discovered by the police will be revealed and will clear up the mystery, even although Mrs. Tressider may decline to give evidence.

Her son has visited her in hospital, and a brother from Nottingham has also been to see her.

"WRONG GIRL" SLAIN?

VAMPIRE NAMES "NEXT VICTIM."

Strasbourg.—Was the pretty little Strasbourg typist, Susanne Meyer, whose body was found in the snow at Schultigheim murdered in mistake for another woman?

This terrible possibility seems to be becoming a probability. It is confirmed that the murderer has sent a second letter to the police which states: "We are three terrible bandits from the east. With a motor-car."

The letter, in a French which is liberally sprinkled with German words, is understood to have declared that he did not intend to kill Suzanne Meyer, whom he did not know, but a certain Marie Louise Fuchs. The letter concludes: "Beware beware! It will soon be the turn of Mlle. Fuchs."

This astonishing missive explains a hitherto inexplicable phrase in the first letter which clearly referred to Mlle. Marie Louise Fuchs by name as the victim.

Mlle. Fuchs was a friend of Suzanne's. She is mystified. For she says that she did not know that she had any enemies, any more than she thought Suzanne had.

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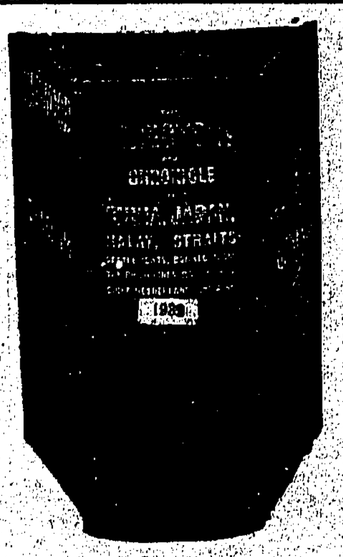

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HAROLD T. CREASY,
Director of Public Works.

24th March, 1932. [2025

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 4TH DAY of APRIL, 1932, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Waterloo Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of HIS MAJESTY THE KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price.
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
2	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2320.	Waterloo Road.	As per sale plan				About 66,000	758	49,503

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HONG KONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders of the Hong Kong Engineering & Construction Company, Limited, will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co., St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hong Kong on Tuesday, the 5th April, 1932, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended on the 31st December, 1931, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 24th March to the 5th April, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
R. ALVES,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th March, 1932. [1973

ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.
SEMI-FINALS AND FINALS.
OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES AND DOUBLES.

PLANS will be open at the Pavilion to Members and Subscribers for the *Booking of Reserved Seats* from 6 p.m., Wednesday 30th March, to 8th p.m., Friday 1st April.

On and after Saturday, 2nd April, booking will be at Messrs. Moutrie & Co.

Price per seat, $1.00 including tax.

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THE HONG KONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, 2, Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, 31ST MARCH, 1932, at 11 A.M. for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1931.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 24th to the 31st MARCH, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 17th, March, 1932. [1977

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 43rd Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Thursday, the 31st day of March, 1932, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 12th March, 1932, to Thursday, 31st March, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
ALLAN KEITH,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 1st March, 1932. [1901

MACAO RACES

THE MACAO JOCKEY CLUB.

Second Extra Race Meeting,
SUNDAY, 3RD APRIL, 1932.
First Saddling Bell at 1 p.m.
First Race at 1.30 p.m.

Admission:—
To Members' Enclosure...$2.00
To Public Enclosure ..... 40 cts.

Members MUST show their Badges to gain Admittance.

LADIES are cordially invited to attend the Races without charge. No Ladies Badges will be issued.

Tiffin can be procured at the Race Course.

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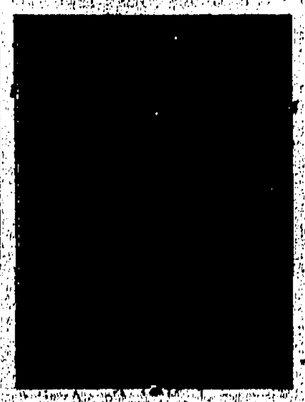
KING'S THEATRE

COMMENCING SUN., 3rd APR.

"SUNSHINE SUSIE"

A BRITISH PICTURE



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EXPERIMENT IN GOODWILL.

BIG SCHEME FOR SOUTH WALES.

The Salvation Army has decided to launch immediately an experimental scheme for dealing with conditions in the distressed areas.

An essential part of the scheme is a fearless reliance on the power of prayer, along lines made familiar by George Müller and other giants of faith.

In this connection it was announced that on the invitation of General Higgins, Mr. Hugh Redwood has accepted appointment as President of the League of Goodwill, to which the execution of the project is to be entrusted.

"Determined Friendliness."

The appointment is a novel and interesting departure, explained by the fact that the League of Goodwill has sprung from the call in Mr. Redwood's book, "God in the Slums," for "a crusade of determined friendliness" to cope with the problems of slumdom and unemployment.

Membership of the League is open to all persons of goodwill, irrespective of denomination, and already in many parts of the country Churchmen and Nonconformists in large numbers are actively co-operating with the Salvation Army in various plans for betterment.

A League of Goodwill has also been formed with conspicuous success in Holland, and another is under contemplation in South Africa.

Religion, Plus a Living.

The scheme will be limited to South Wales, but it is intended as a "working model" for similar schemes in Northumberland, Durham and elsewhere.

It aims chiefly at giving the boys and young men of the distressed areas opportunities for self-support and service for others.

It is "religion, linked up with a chance to earn a living."

I.I.D. CERTIFICATES.

Messrs. A. Gocke & Co. inform us the Société Internationale de Placements Basle cable that the official quotation in Basle for one sub-unit of the International Investment Deposit Certificates yesterday was, £2 16s. 6d.

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Union Bank of Switzerland, Basle.

Agents for the Trustees:
London—Midland Bank, Ltd.
Far East—The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

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HOARDING MANIA IN AMERICA.

SURPLUS WEALTH KEPT IN CHIMNEY CREVICES.

New York.—Huge amounts of currency are still secreted by panicky Americans, who cannot or will not be converted to the faith that there are safer places to keep surplus wealth than socks or chimney crevices.

Hoarding manias are nothing new in this country—or for that matter in any country—but nowhere else in the world is the mania carried to such extremes as here.

By the middle of August this year it was estimated that $600,000,000 had been hoarded. Some of that was recaptured in the October market rally but the remainder still is in hiding.

This panic on the part of the public has been largely responsible for the great number of minor bank failures last year, amounting to more than 2,000 and involving about 4 per cent. of the total deposits in the U.S. It was one of the chief factors which prompted President Hoover's move in the autumn for the formation of a National Bank Credit Pool with assets of $500,000,000, to assist banks whose otherwise sound assets had been "frozen" by the depression. Soon after the launching of the President's scheme the increase of hoarding slackened greatly and the spate of bank failures which had risen to 600 in a single month, fell abruptly.

The bank Credit Pool is not yet in full working order, however, and it remains to be seen whether it will suffice to save the weaker members of the thousands of small banks throughout the country if the depression continues unrelieved for the new year.

WOOING AMONG THE ESKIMOS.

EXPERIENCE OF FIRST WHITE MAN WHO LIVED IN ISLAND.

Camrose, Alberta.—"If an Eskimo boy wants a wife, he just grabs her, and he usually has to make a present to her old man."

Such is the description of an Eskimo wooing given by Mr. R. L. Millar, the first white man to live for a winter on Victoria Land, that bleak and treeless Arctic island.

A rifle is a high price for an Eskimo to pay for a wife, even when the fur trade is good and they have plenty of money, says Mr. Millar. For a rifle a boy can pick almost any woman he likes.

"There aren't any single women for the boys to pick from," Mr. Millar continued. "As soon as any girl is old enough, she generally gets married, because they're short of women.

"But the boys often trade wives if they don't get along very well—which occurs as often as not!

"If the wife doesn't like the husband she's with,—if, for instance, he beats her too much,—she just stops sewing for him.

"That generally brings the husband to heel, because none of the Eskimo boys are experts at needlework. They wear out a lot of mocassins every winter, and they hate to make new ones for themselves."

DIVORCED PERSONS.

CHURCH ATTITUDE.

Present circumstances are compelling Free Church ministers to consider their position with respect to marriages of divorced persons. The increase in the number of divorces and, as a consequence, the new unions of one or other of the parties has driven Nonconformist ministers to ask what their attitude should be to the celebration of such marriages.

This query is emphasised by the stringent advice of many Anglican bishops to their clergy to refuse to marry persons who have been divorced. Failure to secure the services of Anglican clergy has driven those who desire a church service to Free Church ministrations.

Nonconformists claim that they are seldom if ever, troubled with cases of divorce among their own members, and the matter has not hitherto been brought definitely before their councils or conferences. Ministers now, however, want to know what answer to make to divorced persons, outside their communion, on the question of re-marriage.

Baptist ministers are promised some guidance on the matter, and it is probable that this will include a definite suggestion that no guilty party in a divorce case should be married in a Baptist Church.

FREEMASONS AND GERMANY.

RENEWING OLD TIES OF FRIENDSHIP.

London, March 3.—The breach between English Freemasons and their German brethren, which had existed for sixteen years, since the early days of the war, has now been closed.

The resumption of friendly relations was announced in a message from the Duke of Connaught, the Grand Master, read by Lord Ampthill, Pro Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, at a quarterly meeting of the Lodge in London yesterday.

The Duke stated that friendly relations with the Grand Lodges of Hamburg, Frankfort, and Bayreuth, which had been interrupted since 1916, had now been resumed by mutual agreement. Representatives had been appointed on both sides.

Completing the Harmony.

The war imposed an enormous strain on these relations. In the year following the outbreak of hostilities correspondence relating to the humane conduct of the war passed between the Grand Master of the Grand Orient de Belgique, and the Grand Lodge of Darmstadt. Shortly afterwards the relations between German and French and Italian Freemasons were broken off.

English Freemasons followed suit in 1916. Since then, until quite recently, they have steadily held aloof from their former German brethren.

The Grand Lodges of Hamburg, Frankfort, and Bayreuth, with whom a friendly footing has now been re-established, are three of the nine Grand Lodges in Germany. It is believed that relationships with the other six will probably follow, and complete harmony between English and German Freemasons once more prevail.

EGYPT AND GOLD STANDARD.

BANK CHAIRMAN ON NECESSITY FOR TEMPORARY SUSPENSION.

London, March 19.—At the annual meeting of the National Bank of Egypt, Mr. Edgar Cook, the chairman, reviewed the world's economic situation, and insisted on the necessity of Egypt to go off the gold standard, following a similar decision by Great Britain. He said, however that he hoped that as soon as the economic conditions became normal again, Egypt would be able to come back to the gold basis. This return, he said, would be facilitated by the position of Egyptian Budget, which was normally balanced. He also stated that the cotton crop prospects of the current year gave reason to entertain very optimistic hopes.

OUR CHANCES IN THE TESTS.

GILLIGAN'S OPTIMISM.

Mr. A. E. R. Gilligan, the *News-Chronicle* special cricket writer, said some good things about the game in a talk to members of the Hornsey Y.M.C.A.

He first asked for support for the Prince of Wales' appeal to youth.

"Mr. Curtis-Bennett told me," he said, "how keen the Prince is to get in touch with sportsmen. I hope that club and county cricketers will rise to the Prince's call and give their best."

"Badman."

Here are some other points from Mr. Gilligan's speech:

To two boys sitting on the floor near him.—"Play the game with might and main."

Next Tests.—"Our chances of winning are three to one."

Don Bradman.—"A 'Badman' to get out; but he must be got out. Those who say, 'Look at Bradman! Poor old England!' make me tired."

Australian wickets.—"Arterial roads. In Sydney, Maurice Tate, who has the biggest feet in the world, could only scratch the wicket."

Australian Barracking.—"Like the noise of sea waves going on all the time; criticism and humour aimed at Australians and Englishmen alike."

Jack Hobbs.—"The world's best batsman on any wicket."

Mr. H. J. Wenyan, captain of the Hornsey Cricket Club, presided, and introduced Mr. Gilligan.

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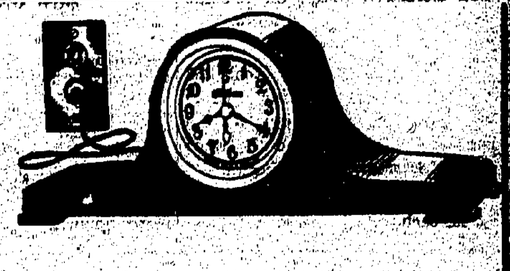

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The gold rush, which continues unabated, is spreading to the villages.

Any day now a village green may be turned into a sort of gold mart by the arrival of two or three young men in a motor-car bearing a poster with the invitation:—

"Bring out your golden sovereigns and old jewellery."

They are the touring representatives of a London firm of jewellers, and have visited Coldharbour, near Leith Hill, and other villages in Surrey. When the poster is displayed one of the men makes a speech on the follies of hoarding gold at the present time, and produces a pair of assayer's scales to weigh the gold and a bottle of acid to test it.

He offers 27s. 6d. for a sovereign.

At one village no one could be persuaded to part with a single piece of gold, but elsewhere villagers rushed indoors and came out with jewellery that had been treasured for years.

Golden London.

By registered post and special messengers, sovereigns, old gold, trinkets and family plate are arriving at the London offices of bullion brokers at the rate of £150,000 a day from all parts of the British Isles.

People offering centuries-old gold treasures are being advised not to part with objects worth more than their gold value as antiques or museum pieces.

Farmer's £11,000.

Here are some incidents:

A North-country farmer took to Messrs. Harris & Co., jewellers, Piccadilly, 8,000 sovereigns, which had been carried in attache cases by his three sons. He was paid nearly £11,000.

During the day this firm paid nearly £70,000 for sovereigns.

They also bought a diamond necklace of 130 stones for £7,000, and hundreds of trinkets.

His Daily 50.

Mr. S. S. Abelson, the City bullion merchant, bought an 18-carat gold "buckle" ring, weighing five ounces, which realised £225.

A white-haired man took 50 sovereigns into the King's Cross shop of Messrs. Bravington's, the jewellers. He has done the same every day since the rush began.

This firm bought 5,000 gold nibs at 1s. each.

"VAMPIRE" CRIME ARRESTS.

MYSTERY OF TYPIST'S DEATH.

Strasbourg, March 3.—Two arrests have been made in connection with the mysterious murder of Suzanne Meyer, a typist, 17 years of age, who was found strangled on the Schiltigheim road, near Strasbourg.

One of the strange features of the crime is that the murderer has written four letters to the police, one of which he signed, "An Imitator of the Vampire of Düsseldorf." The police spent four fruitless days in searching for the girl, and it was not until they received an anonymous letter, containing a sketch-map and other details showing that she had been murdered, that they found her body.

The two people under arrest are Henri Vincent, a taxi-cab driver, aged 20, and his mistress, Marie Schmidt, both of whom have been unemployed for some time. They left Strasbourg yesterday, but were arrested in a café at Brumath.

When gendarmes approached him Vincent rose and said: "I am not the Schiltigheim assassin you are seeking." It is alleged that blood-stains were found on his clothes, but both prisoners deny that they know anything of the murder.

THE UNEMPLOYED IN COLUMBIA.

PRESIDENT VOTES SUM FOR RELIEF MEASURES.

Washington, March 17.—President Hoover to-day sent to the Congress a request for an appropriation of G$600,000 for direct governmental relief of unemployment in the district of Columbia.

The President's request came as a surprise, in view of the fact that the administration consistently has opposed any direct Federal aid for jobless which in any way resembled a dole.

It is understood, however, that the President views the situation in the District of Columbia as being somewhat different from that in other political jurisdictions, Federal aid in the District being the equivalent of State aid elsewhere.

COLD SNAP TAKES HEAVY TOLL.

170 PEOPLE REPORTED FROZEN TO DEATH IN THE NORTH.

Peiping, March 19.—The sudden cold wave which swept over North China last week took a heavy toll of lives in Shansi, according to reports from Tatung, northern Shansi. Over 170 persons were frozen to death in the five districts of Tatung, Huaijen, Shanyin, Yinghsien and Chuyun, all in northern Shansi.

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ADEN.
Torgestea, Dodwell, April 2.
G. Metzinger, M.M., April 12.
Gange, Dodwell, April 13.
G. Philippar, M.M., April 26.
Fusijama, Dodwell, May 3.
Porthos, M.M., May 10.
Conte Rosso, Dodwell, May 15
Chenonceaux, M.M., May 24.
Athos II, M.M., June 7.
D'Artagnan, M.M., June 21.

ALEXANDRIA.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 3.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, April 17.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 1.

ALGIERS.
Nagara, Gilman, May 1.
Nanking, Swedish, May 27.
Tamara, Swedish, June 27.

AMOY.
Luchow, B. & S., March 31.
Haiching, Douglas, April 1.
Tsinan, B. & S., April 2.
Hosang, J. M. & Co., April 3.
Taiyuan, B. & S., April 6.
Takada, M. M. & Co., April 8.
Anhui, B. & S., April 10.
Kutsang, J. M. & Co., April 17.
Sirdhana, M. M. & Co., April 22.
Tilawa, M. M. & Co., May 5.
Santhia, M. M. & Co., May 10.
Talma, M. M. & Co., June 2.

AMSTERDAM.
Dorfflinger, Melchers, April 1.
Havel, Melchers, April 20.

ANTWERP.
Burdwan, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., April 15.
Somali, M. M. & Co., May 14.
Bangalore, M. M. & Co., June 11.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.
Nankin, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Changte, B. & S., April 19.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., April 23.
Nellore, M. M. & Co., April 30.
Taiping, B. & S., May 20.

BALI.
Tjibadak, J.C.J.L., April 12.
Asia, Manners, April 16.

BALTIC PORTS.
Java, Manners, April 1.
Asia, Manners, April 16.
Malaya, Manners, May 2.
Afrika, Manners, May 27.

BALTIMORE.
Glaucus, B. & S., April 11.

BANGKOK.
Bintang, Manners, April 3.
Hiram, Thoresen, April 3.
Kalgan, B. & S., April 3.
Hellas, Thoresen, April 10.
Kiangsu, B. & S., April 10.
Kweiyang, B. & S., April 10.

BARCELONA.
Dorfflinger, Melchers, April 1.
Sauerland, Jebsen, April 3.

BATAVIA.
Tjisalak, J.C.J.L., April 5.

BELAWAN—Deli.
Cremer, J.C.J.L., March 24.

BEYROUTH.
Lima Maru, N.Y.K., April 16.

BOMBAY.
Mirzapore, M. M. & Co., April 1.
Torgestea, Dodwell, April 2.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 3.
Tokiwa Maru, N.Y.K., April 12.
Gange, Dodwell, April 13.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, April 17.
Rawalpindi, M. M. & Co., April 23.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 1.
Fusijama, Dodwell, May 3
Ranpura, M. M. & Co., May 7.
Somali, M. M. & Co., May 14.
Conte Rosso, Dodwell, May 15.
Chitral, M. M. & Co., May 21.
Ranchi, M. M. & Co., June 4.
Bangalore, M. M. & Co., June 11.
Naldera, M. M. & Co., June 18.

BOSTON.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 3.
Siamese Prince, Furness, April 6.
Glaucus, B. & S., April 11.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., April 11.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, April 17.
Javanese Prince, Furness, May 1.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 1.

BREMEN.
Dorfflinger, Melchers, April 1.
Alster, Melchers, April 4.
Havel, Melchers, April 20.

BRINDISI.
Torgestea, Dodwell, April 2.
Gange, Dodwell, April 13.
Fusijama, Dodwell, May 3.
Conte Rosso, Dodwell, May 15.

BRISBANE.
Nankin, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Changte, B. & S., April 19.
Nellore, M. M. & Co., April 30.
Taiping, B. & S., May 20.

CAIRNS.
Changte, B. & S., April 19.
Taiping, B. & S., May 20.

CALCUTTA.
Talma, M. M. & Co., April 3.
Suiyang, B. & S., April 5.
Kumsang, J. M. & Co., April 6.
Hakodate Maru, N.Y.K., April 7.
Suisang, J. M. & Co., April 12.
Talamba, M. M. & Co., April 16.
Takada, M. M. & Co., May 1.
Sirdhana, M. M. & Co., May 17.

CASABLANCA.
Burdwan, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Bangalore, M. M. & Co., June 11.

CHEFOO.
Huichow, B. & S., March 31.
Lipsang, J. M. & Co., April 3.
Kuoichow, B. & S., April 9.

COLOMBO.
Mirzapore, M. M. & Co., April 1.
Torgestea, Dodwell, April 2.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 3.
Glenluce, J. M. & Co., April 5.
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COPENHAGEN.
Java, Manners, April 1.
Asia, Manners, April 16.
Malaya, Manners, May 2.
Afrika, Manners, May 27.

DAIREN.
Antenor, B. & S., April 2.
Chenan, B. & S., April 6.
Linan, B. & S., April 6.

DJIBOUTI.
Burdwan, M. M. & Co., April 2.
G. Metzinger, M.M., April 12.
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DUNKIRK.
Java, Manners, April 1.
Asia, Manners, April 16.
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Afrika, Manners, May 27.

EUROPE.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 3.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 1.

FOOCHOW.
Haiching, Douglas, April 1.

GENOA.
Dorfflinger, Melchers, April 1.
Sauerland, Jebsen, April 3.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 3.
Lima Maru, N.Y.K., April 16.
Ramses, Jebsen, April 18.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, April 17.
Leverkusen, Jebsen, April 26.
Nagara, Gilman, May 1.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 1.
Nanking, Swedish, May 27.
Tamara, Swedish, June 27.

GLASGOW.
Patroclus, B. & S., April 13.
Troilus, B. & S., April 24.

HAMBURG.
Dorfflinger, Melchers, April 1.
Java, Manners, April 1.
Burdwan, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Sauerland, Jebsen, April 3.
Alster, Melchers, April 4.
Glenluce, J. M. & Co., April 5.
City of Pittsburg, Bank Line, April 15.
Asia, Manners, April 16.
Ramses, Jebsen, April 18.
Anchises, B. & S., April 19.
Havel, Melchers, April 20.
City of Bagdad, Bank Line, May 2.
Malaya, Manners, May 2.
Somali, M. M. & Co., May 14.
Afrika, Manners, May 27.
Bangalore, M. M. & Co., June 11.

HAIPHONG.
Kingyuen, B. & S., April 8.
Kiungchow, B. & S., April 22.

HAVRE.
Burdwan, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Asia, Manners, April 15.
City of Pittsburg, Bank Line, April 15.
Troilus, B. & S., April 24.
City of Bagdad, Bank Line, May 2.
Elpenor, B. and S. May 4.
Somali, M. M. & Co., May 14.
Bangalore, M. M. & Co., June 11.

HOIHOW.
Kingyuen, B. & S., April 8.
Kweiyang, B. & S., April 10.
Kiungchow, B. & S., April 22.

HONOLULU.
Tatuta Maru, N.Y.K., April 6.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.R. April 8.
Pres. Hoover, Dollar April 12.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 19.
Pres. Jackson, Dollar, April 26.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.R., May 5.
Emp. of Asia, C.R.P., May 20.

HULL.
Burdwan, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Somali, M. M. & Co., May 14
Bangalore, M. M. & Co., June 11.

ISTANBUL (Constantinople).
Lima Maru, N.Y.K., April 16.

ITALY.
Torgestea, Dodwell, April 2.
Gange, Dodwell, April 13.
Fusijama, Dodwell, May 3.
Conte Rosso, Dodwell, May 15.

JAPAN PORTS.
Gange, Dodwell, April 3.
Nagara, Gilman, April 2.
Hosang, J. M. & Co., April 3.
Somali, M. M. & Co., April 3.
Nellore, M. M. & Co., April 4.
Fusijama, Dodwell, April 5.
Saarbrucken, Melchers, April 5.
Tatuta Maru, N.Y.K., April 6.
Rampura, M. M. & Co., April 7.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.R. April 8.
Glenogle, J. M. & Co., April 8.
Takada, M. M. & Co., April 8.
Tyndareus, B. & S., April 9.
Lycaon, B. & S., April 10.
Ruhu, Jebsen, April 10.
Porthos, M.M., April 12.
Kutsang, J. M. & Co., April 17.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 19.
Chitral, M. M. & Co., April 21.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.R. April 22.
Glenbeg, J. M. & Co., April 22.
Nanking, Gilman, April 22.
Sirdhana, M. M. & Co., April 22.
Chenonceaux, M.M., April 26.
Heian Maru, N.Y.K., April 26.
Nanking, Gilman, April 27.
Bangalore, M. M. & Co., April 30.
Glenapp, J. M. & Co., May 5.
Protesilaus, B. & S., May 5.
Ranchi, M. M. & Co., May 5.
Tilawa, M. M. & Co., May 5.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.R., May 5.
Conte Rosso, Dodwell, May 6.
Tanda, M. M. & Co., May 6.
Athos II., M.M., May 10.
Naldera, M. M. & Co., May 19.
Santhia, M. M. & Co., May 19.
Emp. of Asia, C.R.P., May 20.
Glenshiel, J. M. & Co., May 20.
Tamara, Gilman, May 22
Tamara, Gilman, May 22.
D'Artagnan, M.M., May 24.
Bhutan, M. M. & Co., May 29.
Kaisar-I-Hind, M. M. & Co., June 2.
Talma, M. M. & Co., June 2.
Nankin, M. M. & Co., June 6.
Andre Lebon, M.M., June 7.
Rajputana, M. M. & Co., June 18.
Felix Roussel, M.M., June 21.
Soudan, M. M. & Co., June 28.
Mantua, M. M. & Co., June 30.

JAVA PORTS.
Tjibadak, J.C.J.L., April 12.

LIVERPOOL.
Lima Maru, N.Y.K., April 16.
Troilus, B. & S., April 24.
Elpenor, B. and S. May 4.

LONDON.
Burdwan, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Glenluce, J. M. & Co., April 5.
Corfu, M. M. & Co., April 10.
Patroclus, B. & S., April 13.
City of Pittsburg, Bank Line, April 15.
Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., April 15.
Anchises, B. & S., April 19.
Havel, Melchers, April 20.
Rawalpindi, M. M. & Co., April 23.
City of Bagdad, Bank Line, May 2.
Ranpura, M. M. & Co., May 7.
Somali, M. M. & Co., May 14.
Chitral, M. M. & Co., May 21.
Ranchi, M. M. & Co., June 4.
Bangalore, M. M. & Co., June 11.
Naldera, M. M. & Co., June 18.

LOS ANGELES.
Pres. Hoover, Dolla, April 12.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 19.
Pres. Jackson, Dollar, April 26.

MACASSAR.
Tjibadak, J.C.J.L., April 12.

MANILA.
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., March 31.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.R., April 1.
Nankin, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 3.
Pres. Hoover, Dollar, April 5.
Tjibadak, J.C.J.L., April 12.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, April 17.
Changte, B. & S., April 19.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., April 23.
Nellore, M. M. & Co., April 30.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 1.
Nagara, Gilman, May 1.
Taiping, B. & S., May 20.
Nanking, Swedish, May 27.
Tamara, Swedish, June 27.

MARSEILLES.
Java, Manners, April 1.
Burdwan, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 3.
Alster, Melchers, April 4.
Corfu, M. M. & Co., April 10.
G. Metzinger, M.M., April 12.
Patroclus, B. & S., April 13.
Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., April 15.
Asia, Manners, April 16.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, April 17.
Cape St. Francis, Dodwell, April 18.
Ramses, Jebsen, April 18.
Anchises, B. & S., April 19.
Havel, Melchers, April 20.
Rawalpindi, M. M. & Co., April 23.
G. Philippar, M.M., April 26.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 1.
Malaya, Manners, May 2.
Ranpura, M. M. & Co., May 7.
Porthos, M.M., May 10.
Somali, M. M. & Co., May 14.
Chitral, M. M. & Co., May 21.
Chenonceaux, M.M., May 24.
Afrika, Manners, May 27.
Ranchi, M. M. & Co., June 4.
Athos II, M.M., June 7.
Bangalore, M. M. & Co., June 11.
Naldera, M. M. & Co., June 16.
D'Artagnan, M.M., June 21.

MAURITIUS.
Cape St. Francis, Dodwell, April 15.
Tinhow, Bank Line, April 20.

MELBOURNE.
Nankin, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Changte, B. & S., April 19.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., April 23.
Nellore, M. M. & Co., April 30.
Taiping, B. & S., May 20.

MEXICO.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 19.

NAPLES.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 3.
Linan, B. & S., April 6.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, April 17.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 1.

NEWCHWANG.
Chenan, B. & S., April 6.

NEW YORK.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 3.
Siamese Prince, Furness, April 6.
Glaucus, B. & S., April 11.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., April 11.
Pres. Hoover, Dollar April 12.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, April 17.
Javanese Prince, Furness, May 1.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 1.

NORTH CHINA PORTS.
Malaya, Manners, April 4.
Saarbrucken, Melchers, April 5.
Ruhu, Jebsen, April 10.
Afrika, Manners, May 4.

ORAN.
Alster, Melchers, April 4.
Nagara, Gilman, May 1.
Nanking, Swedish, May 27.
Tamara, Swedish, June 27.

PAKHOI.
Kingyuen, B. & S., April 8.
Kiungchow, B. & S., April 22.

PANAMA CANAL.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., April 11.
Pres. Hoover, Dollar April 12.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 19.
Pres. Jackson, Dollar April 26.

PENANG.
Talma, M. M. & Co., April 3.
Kumsang, J. M. & Co., April 6.
Hakodate Maru, N.Y.K., April 7.
Tokiwa Maru, N.Y.K., April 12.
G. Metzinger, M.M., April 12.
Talamba, M. M. & Co., April 16.
Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., April 15.
G. Philippar, M.M., April 26.
Takada, M. M. & Co., May 1.
Porthos, M.M., May 10.
Chenonceaux, M.M., May 24.
Sirdhana, M. M. & Co., May 17.
Athos II, M.M., June 7.
D'Artagnan, M.M., June 21.

PHILIPPINE ISLAND PORTS.
Glaucus, B. & S., April 11.
Changte, B. & S., April 19.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., April 23.
Taiping, B. & S., May 20.

PIRAEUS.
Lima Maru, N.Y.K., April 16.

PORT SAID.
Java, Manners, April 1.
Torgestea, Dodwell, April 2.
G. Metzinger, M.M., April 12.
Gange, Dodwell, April 13.
Asia, Manners, April 16.
Lima Maru, N.Y.K., April 16.
G. Philippar, M.M., April 26.
Nagara, Gilman, May 1.
Malaya, Manners, May 2.
Fusijama, Dodwell, May 3.
Porthos, M.M., May 10.
Conte Rosso, Dodwell, May 15.
Chenonceaux, M.M., May 24.
Afrika, Manners, May 27.
Nanking, Swedish, May 27.
Athos II, M.M., June 7.
D'Artagnan, M.M., June 21.
Tamara, Swedish, June 27.

PORT SWETTENHAM.
Glaucus, B. & S., April 11.

RABAUL.
Nankin, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Nellore, M. M. & Co., April 30.

RANGOON.
Hakodate Maru, N.Y.K., April 7.

REUNION.
Cape St. Francis, Dodwell, April 15.

ROTTERDAM.
Dorfflinger, Melchers, April 1.
Java, Manners, April 1.
Burdwan, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Sauerland, Jebsen, April 3.
Alster, Melchers, April 4.
Glenluce, J. M. & Co., April 5.
Patroclus, B. & S., April 13.
City of Pittsburg, Bank Line, April 15.
Asia, Manners, April 16.
Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., April 15.
Ramses, Jebsen, April 18.
Anchises, B. & S., April 19.
Leverkusen, Jebsen, April 26.
City of Bagdad, Bank Line, May 2.
Malaya, Manners, May 2.
Somali, M. M. & Co., May 14.
Afrika, Manners, May 27.
Bangalore, M. M. & Co., June 11.

SAIGON.
G. Metzinger, M.M., April 12.
G. Philippar, M.M., April 26.
Porthos, M.M., May 10.
Chenonceaux, M.M., May 24.
Athos II, M.M., June 7.
D'Artagnan, M.M., June 21.

SAN FRANCISCO.
Tatuta Maru, N.Y.K., April 6.
Pres. Hoover, Dollar April 12.
Pres. Jackson, Dollar, April 26.

SANDAKAN.
Yusang, J. M. & Co., March 31.
Mausang, J. M. & Co., March 31.
Hinsang, J. M. & Co., April 6.

SCANDINAVIAN PORTS.
Java, Manners, April 1.
Asia, Manners, April 16.
Nagara, Gilman, May 1.
Malaya, Manners, May 2.
Afrika, Manners, May 27.
Nanking, Swedish, May 27.
Tamara, Swedish, June 27.

SEATTLE.
Pres. Madison, Dollar, April 2.
Tyndareus, B. & S., April 9.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, April 16.
Heian Maru, N.Y.K., April 26.
Protesilaus, B. & S., May 5.

SHANGHAI.
Luchow, B. & S., March 31.
Kwangtung, B. & S., March 31.
Norviken, J. M. & Co., April 1.
Antenor, B. & S., April 2.
Nagara, Gilman, April 2.
Tsinan, B. & S., April 2.
Gange, Dodwell, April 3.
Hosang, J. M. & Co., April 3.
Kwaisang, J. M. & Co., April 3.
Soochow, B. & S., April 3.
Malaya, Manners April 4.
Nellore, M. M. & Co., April 4.
Fusijama, Dodwell, April 5.
Somali, M. M. & Co., April 5.
Suiyang, B. & S., April 5.
Linan, B. & S., April 6.
Taiyuan, B. & S., April 6.
Tatuta Maru, N.Y.K., April 6.
Rampura, M. M. & Co., April 7.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.R. April 8.
Glenogle, J. M. & Co., April 8.
Kiungchow, B. & S., April 8.
Takada, M. M. & Co., April 8.
Lycaon, B. & S., April 10.
Sunning, B. & S., April 10.
Porthos, M.M., April 12.
Shantung, B. & S., April 12.
Asia, Manners, April 16.
Chitral, M. M. & Co., April 21.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.R., April 22.
Glenbeg, J. M. & Co., April 22.
Nanking, Gilman, April 22.
Chenonceaux, M.M., April 26.
Heian Maru, N.Y.K., April 26.
Nanking, Gilman, April 27.
Bangalore, M. M. & Co., April 30.
Afrika, Manners, May 4.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.R., May 5.
Glenapp, J. M. & Co., May 5.
Ranchi, M. M. & Co., May 5.
Tilawa, M. M. & Co., May 5.
Conte Rosso, Dodwell, May 6.
Tanda, M. M. & Co., May 6.
Athos II., M.M., May 10.
Naldera, M. M. & Co., May 19.
Emp. of Asia, C.R.P., May 20.
Glenshiel, J. M. & Co., May 20
Tamara, Gilman, May 22.
Tamara, Gilman, May 22.
D'Artagnan, M.M., May 24.
Bhutan, M. M. & Co., May 29.
Kaisar-I-Hind, M. M. & Co., June 2.
Talma, M. M. & Co., June 2.
Nankin, M. M. & Co., June 6.
Andre Lebon, M.M., June 7.
Rajputana, M. M. & Co., June 16.
Felix Roussel, M.M., June 21.
Soudan, M. M. & Co., June 28.
Mantua, M. M. & Co., June 30.

SINGAPORE.
Torgestea, Dodwell, April 2.
Talma, M. M. & Co., April 3.
Haihing, Thoresen, April 5.
Kumsang, J. M. & Co., April 6.
Hakodate Maru, N.Y.K., April 7.
Anhui, B. & S., April 10.
Glaucus, B. & S., April 11.
G. Metzinger, M.M., April 12.
Tokiwa Maru, N.Y.K., April 12.
Gange, Dodwell, April 13.
Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., April 15.
Talamba, M. M. & Co., April 15.
G. Philippar, M.M., April 26.
Takada, M. M. & Co., May 1.
Fusijama, Dodwell, May 3.
Porthos, M.M., May 10.
Conte Rosso, Dodwell, May 15.
Sirdhana, M. M. & Co., May 17.
Chenonceaux, M.M., May 24.
Athos II, M.M., June 7.
D'Artagnan, M.M., June 21.

SOURABAYA.
Tjibadak, J.C.J.L., April 12.

SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.
Tinhow, Bank Line, April 20.

SOUTH AMERICA (West coast).
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 19.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.
Mirzapore, M. M. & Co., April 1.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 3.
Glenluce, J. M. & Co., April 5.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, April 17.
Nagara, Gilman, May 1.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 1.
Nanking, Swedish, May 27.
Tamara, Swedish, June 27.

SUEZ CANAL.
Torgestea, Dodwell, April 2.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 3.
G. Metzinger, M.M., April 12.
Gange, Dodwell, April 13.
Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., April 15.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, April 17.
G. Philippar, M.M., April 26.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 1.
Fusijama, Dodwell, May 3.
Porthos, M.M., May 10.
Conte Rosso, Dodwell, May 15.
Chenonceaux, M.M., May 24.
Athos II, M.M., June 7.
D'Artagnan, M.M., June 21.

SWATOW.
Huichow, B. & S., March 31.
Kwangtung, B. & S., March 31.
Haiching, Douglas, April 1.
Norviken, J. M. & Co., April 1.
Chipshing, J. M. & Co., April 3.
Hiram, Thoresen, April 3.
Kalgan, B. & S., April 3.
Suiyang, B. & S., April 3.
Soochow, B. & S., April 3.
Kiungchow, B. & S., April 8.
Kuoichow, B. & S., April 9.
Anhui, B. & S., April 10.
Hellas, Thoresen, April 10.
Kiangsu, B. & S., April 10.
Sunning, B. & S., April 10.
Shantung, B. & S., April 12.

SYDNEY.
Nankin, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Changte, B. & S., April 19.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., April 23.
Nellore, M. M. & Co., April 30.
Taiping, B. & S., May 20.

TAKU.
Antenor, B. & S., April 2.

THURSDAY ISLAND.
Changte, B. & S., April 19.
Taiping, B. & S., May 20.

TIENTSIN.
Huichow, B. & S., March 31.
Chipshing, J. M. & Co., April 3.
Kuoichow, B. & S., April 9.

TOWNSVILLE.
Changte, B. & S., April 19.
Taiping, B. & S., May 20.

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO., LTD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CONSIGNEES per Co.'s Vessel "TROILUS"

FROM UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENTAL PORTS VIA SINGAPORE

are hereby notified that their Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for Delivery from Godown on and after 29th March.

Optional Cargo will not be landed here, unless Notice has been given prior to Vessel's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 A.M. and Noon within the Free Storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Vessel's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th April, 1932 will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Vessel must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 19th April, 1932 or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

29th March, 1932. [2023

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO., LTD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CONSIGNEES per Co.'s Vessel "TYNDARUS"

FROM SEATTLE, VANCOUVER AND VICTORIA VIA JAPAN

are requested to take Delivery of Flour and Lumber Shipments as soon as the Vessel is ready to discharge and are hereby notified that if their Lighters are not placed alongside the Vessel as required, their Shipments will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, at their expense, where the Cargo will lie also at their risk and expense and subject to the Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. Steamer will commence Discharge on 28th March.

General Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk and subject to the Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for Delivery from the Godown on and after 28th March.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 A.M. and Noon within the Free Storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Vessel's Godown, and all General Cargo remaining undelivered after 4th April will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Vessel must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 18th April, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

29th March, 1932. [2030

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO., LTD
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CONSIGNEES per Co.'s Vessel "PHILOCTETES"

FROM UNITED KINGDOM VIA SINGAPORE

are hereby notified that their Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for Delivery from Godown on and after 29th March.

Optional Cargo will not be landed here, unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 A.M. and Noon within the Free Storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th April, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 19th April, 1932, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

29th March, 1932. [2029

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

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Hong Kong, March 30, 1932.

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CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN LINE

FROM NEW YORK AND MARSEILLES.

THE Steamship "CITY OF BAGDAD" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of Messrs. Holt's Wharf, whence Delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 5th April, 1932, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 12th April, 1932, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays, between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon, within the Free Storage period of One Week.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

THE BANK LINE, LTD.,
Agents.

Hong Kong, 30th March, 1932. [2037

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The B.I. s.s. Talma left Kobe for this port on March 27 and is due here on April 1.

The Ben Line s.s. Benrinues from Leith, Middlesbro', Antwerp, London, Straits and Manila left Singapore on March 23 and is due to arrive here on April 5.

The Ben Line s.s. Benwyois from Leith, Middlesbro', Antwerp, London and Straits left Singapore for this port on March 29 and is due to arrive here on April 4.

The P. & O. Line s.s. Somali left Singapore for this port on March 29, at 2 p.m., and is due here on April 2, at about 4 p.m.

The P. & O. Line s.s. Burdwan left Shanghai for this port on March 29, at 4 p.m., and is due here on April 1, at about 6 a.m.

The R.M.S. Empress of Canada arrived at Shanghai on March 29, at 5 p.m., left on the 30th, at 3 p.m., is due at Hong Kong on April 1, at 11 a.m., and leaves for Manila on the same day at midnight.

The R.M.S. Empress of Russia left Vancouver for Hong Kong, *via* Japan ports and Shanghai, on March 26, is due at Hong Kong on April 14, and leave for Manila on the same evening.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

THE BEN LINE STEAMERS, LIMITED.

FROM LEITH, MIDDLESBRO', ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

The Steamship "BENVORLICH"

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves Delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th April will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 20th April or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the th April at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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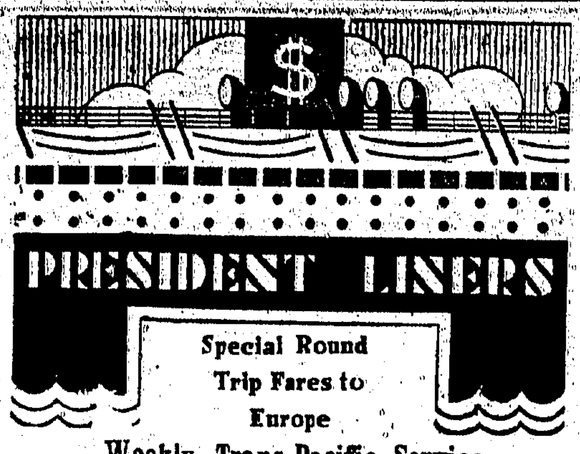
Hong Kong, 29 h March, 1932. [2031



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		8 a.m.		8 a.m.
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Pres. Hayes	... Apr.	17	Pres. Monroe	... May 15

To Manila

Pres. Harrison	Apr. 3, 8 a.m.	Pres. Jackson	Apr. 19, 6 p.m.
Pres. Hoover	Apr. 5, 6 p.m.	Pres. Taft	Apr. 23, 6 p.m.
Pres. Cleveland	Apr. 9, 6 p.m.	Pres. Pierce	May 1, 6 p.m.
Pres. Hayes	Apr. 17, 8 a.m.	Pres. McKinley	May 3, 6 p.m.

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From MARSEILLES, &c.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence Delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared within 7 days, including date of arrival, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims must be sent to the Undersigned before Thursday, the 7th April, 1932, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, at 10 a.m. on Monday, the 4th April, 1932.

Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL,
Agent.

Hong Kong, 29th March, 1932. [2019

"GLEN" LINE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM UNITED KINGDOM VIA PORTS.

THE Steamship "GLENIFFER" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence and/or from the wharves, Delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 3rd April, 1932, at Noon, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined in the presence of Consignees by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas on 2nd April, 1932, at 10 a.m. To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

Claims against the Steamer including those for Cargo short delivered must be presented on the Special Form provided, and must also be submitted within 30 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD.,
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Hong Kong, 27th March, 1932. [2018

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ARRIVALS FROM EUROPE	SAILINGS TO EUROPE	DESTINATION
SAILINGS TO NORTH CHINA & JAPAN		
— ...(NDL) S.S. "DERFFLINGER"	1st Apr.	Genoa, B'lona, A'dam, R'dam, H'burg, B'men
— ...(HAL) M.S. "SAUERLAND"	3rd Apr.	Genoa, B'lona, R'dam and Hamburg
— ...(NDL) S.S. "ALSTER"	6th Apr.	Mar, Oran, R'dam, H'burg, B'men
— .. (HAL) M.S. "RAMSES"	19th Apr.	Genoa, Marseilles, Rotterdam, Hamburg
— .. (NDL) S.S. "HAVEL"	20th Apr.	Mar, L'don, A'dam, R'dam, H'burg, B'men
2nd Apr...(HAL) M.S. "LEVERKUSEN"	4th May	Genoa, Rotterdam, Hamburg
7th Apr...(NDL) S.S. "SAARBRUCKEN"	30th Apr.	G'oa, B'lona, L'bon, R'dam, H'burg, B'men
10th Apr...(HAL) M.S. "RUHU"	7th May	Genoa, Rotterdam, Hamburg
20th Apr.. (NDL) S.S. "ISAR"	22nd May	M'lles, Oran, C'blanca, R'dam, H'burg, B'men

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DAILY SHARE QUOTATIONS

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE. SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION.

Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30.	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
		1,450/	1,480/	**Banks**				
$1,465	...	1,475		H.K. Banks	$1,470	...	$1,47	...
...	...	...	£104½	Do. (London) ...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	£1[illegible]	Chartered Banks ...	...	...	...	£12½
...	...	...	£20	Mercantile Bks. "A"	...	...	...	£19½
...	...	...	£7½	Do. "C"				89
...	...	...	$115	Bank of East Asia...	$112	...	...	
...	...	...	...	N. C. & S. Banks ...	...	...	...	$7½
				Insurances				
...	...	...	$1,250	Canton Insurances...	...	...	...	$1,200
$4	...	...	...	Underwriters	$4	...	...	...
$460	...	...	...	Union Insurances ...	$460	...	...	...
...	...	...	$590	China Fires	...	...	...	$560
...	...	...	$1,250	H.K. Fires	...	...	...	$1,200
				Shipping				
$26½	...	...	...	Douglases	...	...	...	$36½
...	...	...	$23	Steamboats	...	...	...	$25
...	...	...	$45	Indos (pref.)	...	...	...	65/-
...	...	...	$32	Do. (def.)	...	...	...	80/-
...	...	...	29/1½	Shells	...	...	...	42/6
...	...	...	...	Water-boats	$19½	...	...	...
				Mining				
$12.10	...	...	...	Benguets	...	...	...	$12
...	...	...	$2	Venzuela Gold Flds.	...	...	...	$2
...	...	...	26/-	Kailans	...	...	...	27/-
...	...	...	T.4	Langkats (single)...	...	...	...	T.4
...	...	...	T2.10	Explorations.....	...	...	...	T.2
...	...	...	T.2	Shanghai Loans ...	...	...	...	T.2½
...	...	...	$27½	Raubs	...	$38½	...	...
...	...	...	...	Tronoh Mines	13/-	...	...	...
				Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.				
$142	$144	...	...	H.K. & K. Wharves.	...	...	...	$145
$4.70	ex div.	...	...	Providents (old) ...	$4.80	ex div.	...	...
$2½	ex div.	...	...	Do. (new) ...	...	...	ex div.	$2.20
...	...	...	$27	H.K. & W. Docks ..	$25	...	...	...
...	...	...	$10	S. China Motors "A"	...	...	...	$10
...	...	...	T.80½	Do. "B"	...	...	...	$10
...	...	...	T.6½	Shanghai Docks ...	...	...	...	T.9½
...	...	...	T.220	New Engineerings ...	...	...	...	T.6½
				Hongkews	...	...	...	...
				Lands, Hotels, and Buildings				
...	...	C. Rts.	$13½	H.K Hotels (old) ...	...	...	$13.60	...
$2.60	...	...	...	Do. Rights	$2½	...	...	...
$76½	...	76½/76½		H.K. Lands	$76	...	76/76½	...
...	...	T.27		Shanghai Lands ...	...	...	...	...
...	...	$10.90	...	H.K. Realties... ...	$10½	...	...	...
...	...	...	$18	Humphreys (old) ...	...	$17.40	...	...
...	...	...	...	Do. (new)...	...	...	...	...
$95	...	...	...	Chinese Estates.....	...	...	...	...
				Cotton Mills				
...	...	T15.15		Ewos	T14.75	T.16	...	...
...	...	T.80½		S'hai Cottons.....	...	...	...	T.79
...	...	T.11½		Zoong Sings	...	...	...	T.11½
				Public Utilities				
$21	...	...	...	Tramways	$21½	...	...	...
...	...	...	$15.60	Peak Trams (old)...	...	...	...	$15½
...	...	...	$8	Do. (new)...	...	...	...	$8
...	...	$99½	9 9½	Star Ferries	$92	...	$92	...
...	...	...	$39	Yaumati Ferries ...	$36	...	...	...
...	...	...	$21	China Lights (old)...	$2 ½	...	...	...
...	...	...	$20½	Do. (new)...	...	...	...	$21
$72½	...	...	...	H.K. Electrics	$72½	...	$73	...
$23	...	...	...	Macao do.	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	$12	Sandakan Lights ...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	$11	Telephones (fully pd.)	...	...	...	...
...	...	$24	...	Do. (part pd.)	$23½	...	...	...
...	...	...	T.16	China Buses	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	3/-	Tractions	3/-	...	...	...
...	...	...	14/-	Do. (pref.)	...	...	...	...
				Industrials				
...	$32	...	...	Malabon Sugars ...	...	...	...	$32
...	...	...	T.14	Caldbeck, (ord.)	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	T.10½	Macgregors (pref.)	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	$5½	Canton Ices	...	...	...	$5
$18½	...	...	...	Cements (comb.)...	$19	...	$18.80	...
...	...	...	$ 3	Do. (old)...	$13	...	...	...
...	...	...	$5½	Do. (new)...	...	...	...	$6
...	...	...	$16½	Ropes	...	$17	...	...
...	...	...	$10½	Ch. Agriculturers ...	...	...	...	...
				Miscellaneous				
...	...	...	$28½	Dairy Farms	...	$29	...	...
...	...	...	$1	Der A. Wings.....	...	...	...	...
$20½	...	...	...	Amusements (old)	$20½	...	...	...
...	...	...	$14.90	Ch. E'tainments (old)	$14.40	...	...	...
...	...	...	$8.10	Constructions, (old)	$8.90	...	...	...
$1.95	...	...	...	Do. (new)	$1.90	...	...	...
...	...	...	$5.60	Lane Crawfords(old)	...	...	...	$5.90
...	...	...	$5½	Do. (new)	...	...	...	$5.75
...	...	...	$19	Mackintoshs	...	...	...	...
$15	...	...	...	Nanyang Tobacco...	$5	...	...	...
$15½	...	...	...	Sinceres	$15	...	...	...
...	...	...	$3.60	Watsons	$15½	...	...	...
...	...	...	$10	Wm. Powells	...	...	...	$3.35
...	$10	...	...	M. Greyhounds	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	58%	S. C. Enterprises ...	...	...	...	$5
...	...	prem.	4%	B. Ind. G.'s Bonds...	...	...	...	57%
...	...	...	$160	H.K. Govt. Loans ...	$103½	...	...	...
...	...	...	$30	Asia Realties "A"...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	$29	Do. "B"...	...	...	...	...
				Am. Finance Corpn.	...	...	...	...

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Samshui and Wuchow (By direct steamer)	4.00 p.m.	4.00 p.m.	4.00 p.m.	9.00 a.m.
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Kankong (except Saturdays).		6.00 p.m.		6.00 p.m.
Fatshan and Wuchow (By Train)	7.15 a.m.		7.15 a.m.	
Tai O	1.00 p.m.		11.00 a.m.	
Tai Po	9.00 a.m. & 3.00 p.m.		9.00 a.m.	
Shumchun	9.00 a.m. & 3.00 p.m.		11.00 a.m.	
Chungchow	1.00 p.m. & 5.00 p.m.		11.00 a.m. & 5.00 p.m.	
Aberdeen	8.00 a.m.		8.00 a.m.	
Stanley	12.30 p.m.		11.00 a.m.	
Autau	8.30 a.m.		8.30 a.m.	
Pingshan, Santin Shatin, Shatsukok and Sheungshui	3.00 p.m.		10.30 a.m.	
Saikung	4.30 p.m.		10.30 a.m.	
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Amoy & Shanghai	"LUCHOW"	On 31st Mar.,	5 p.m.
Amoy & Shanghai	"TSINAN"	On 2nd Apr.,	5 p.m.
Swatow, Shanghai & Tsingtao	"SOOCHOW"	On 3rd Apr.,	10 a.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	"KALGAN"	On 3rd Apr.,	Noon
Swatow, Shanghai & Tsingtao	"SUIYANG"	On 5th Apr.,	10 a.m.
Amoy & Shanghai	"TAIYUAN"	On 6th Apr.,	5 p.m.
Newchwang & Dalny	"CHENAN"	On 6th Apr.,	5 p.m.
Shanghai, Newchwang & Dalny	"LINAN"	On 6th Apr.,	5 p.m.
Swatow & Shanghai	"KIUNGCHOW"	On 8th Apr.,	10 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	"KINGYUAN"	On 8th Apr.,	5 p.m.
Swatow, Weihaiwei, Chefoo & Tientsin	"KUHICHOW"	On 9th Apr.,	10 a.m.
Amoy, Swatow & Singapore	"ANHUI"	On 10th Apr.,	6 a.m.
Swatow, Shanghai & Tsingtao	"SUNNING"	On 10th Apr.,	10 a.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	"KIANGSU"	On 10th Apr.,	Noon
Hoihow & Bangkok	"KWEIYANG"	On 10th Apr.,	3 p.m.
Swatow, Shanghai & Tsingtao	"SHANTUNG"	On 12th Apr.,	10 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	"KIUNGCHOW"	On 23nd Apr.,	5 p.m.

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Changte	12th Apr.	19th Apr.	22nd Apr.	8th May
Taiping	10th May.	20th May	23rd May	8th June
Changte	10th June.	21st June	24th June	10th July
Taiping	12th July	22nd July	25th July	10th Aug.

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M.S. "Java"	—	1st Apr.
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M.S. "Malaya"	4th April	2nd May
M.S. "Afrika"	4th May	3rd June

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HAICHING	Friday,	the 1st Apr., at 2 p.m.
HAISING	Tuesday,	the 5th Apr., at 3 p.m.

Arrivals and Departures from the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier). Round Trip Tickets will be issued from Hong Kong to Foochow (Pagoda Anchorage) and Return by the same Steamer at the Reduced Rate of $70.00 including Meals while the Steamer is in Port.

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ROYAL OBSERVATORY'S DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

Station	March 29, 1932. Hour Local Standard Time	Barometer at Sea Level. Inches	Millibs.	Temperature	Variation	Wind. Direction	Force (Beaufort)	Weather (Symbols)	March 30, 1932. Hour Local Standard Time	Barometer at Sea Level. Inches	Millibs.	Temperature	Variation	Wind. Direction	Force (Beaufort)	Weather (Symbols)
Wladivostock	12	29.82	757.3	28	...	NW	3	b	6	30.20	767.1	25	...	...	0	b
Nemuro	11	29.45	748.0	...	...	NNW	1	...	6	29.55	750.5	...	...	NW	3	...
Hakodate	"	29.51	749.5	...	...	W	1	...	"	29.76	756.0	...	...	W	4	...
Tokio	"	29.82	757.3	...	...	W	4	...	"	30.04	763.0	...	...	...	0	...
Kochi	"	29.96	761.0	...	...	W	1	...	"	30.16	766.0	...	...	W	1	...
Nagasaki	"	30.10	764.5	...	...	WNW	4	...	"	30.24	768.0	...	...	NNW	2	...
Kagoshima	"	30.10	764.5	...	...	NW	2	...	"	30.20	767.0	...	...	...	0	...
Oshima	"	30.12	765.0	...	...	NNE	2	...	"	30.20	767.0	...	...	N	1	...
Naha	"	30.14	765.5	...	...	NNE	3	...	"	30.20	767.0	...	...	NE	1	...
Ishigakijima	"	30.14	765.5	...	...	ENE	2	...	"	30.19	764.5	...	...	E	1	...
Bonin Island	"	29.88	759.0	...	...	NW	1	...	"	30.12	765.0	...	...	...	...	...
Chefoo	15	30.14	765.5	40	8	NNW	4	b	6	30.35	770.8	31	6	SW	2	b
Shanghai	14	30.16	766.0	56	6	ENE	4	o	"	30.26	768.5	45	4	E	4	o
Gutzlaff	"	30.12	767.6	50	4	ENE	4	m	"	30.32	770.5	45	4	ENE	6	m
Wenchow	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Foochow	"	30.10	764.5	62	8	NE	2	b	7	30.07	763.8	58	6	N	2	r
Amoy	"	30.03	762.7	72	6	E	2	b	6	29.99	761.7	68	6	ENE	4	o
Swatow	"	30.06	763.6	67	...	ESE	3	o	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Taihoku	11	30.09	764.3	70	...	ESE	3	o	5	30.02	762.5	63	...	ESE	2	o
Taichu	"	30.06	763.6	74	...	SSW	2	bc	"	30.02	762.5	67	...	...	0	o
Tainan	"	30.02	762.4	78	...	SW	2	o	"	30.01	762.1	65	...	...	0	b
Koshun	"	30.03	762.8	74	...	ENE	6	c	"	30.02	762.5	67	...	ENE	4	b
Pescadores	"	30.02	762.6	70	...	NNE	4	b	"	29.99	761.8	67	...	NE	2	c
Hong Kong	14	29.96	761.0	66	7	E	6	bc	6	29.96	761.0	63	5	E	4	od
Gap Rock	"	29.95	760.8	68	8	ENE	5	c	"	29.91	760.5	69	6	ENE	5	om
Macao	"	29.91	759.7	67	6	SE	2	o	"	29.91	760.0	65	1	SE	4	...
Hoihow	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pratas Island	"	29.93	760.1	76	6	E	4	r	6	29.95	760.7	72	8	ESE	4	b
Phulien	15	29.87	758.2	65	1	ENE	1	d	7	29.88	759.0	67	0	ESE	1	m
Tourane	"	29.88	757.6	76	4	NW	2	o	"	29.86	758.5	72	6	...	0	c
Cape St. James	"	29.81	757.1	83	8	ENE	6	bc	"	29.83	758.8	76	8	ENE	4	c
Basco	14	29.98	760.2	72	6	NE	4	c	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Aparri	"	29.89	759.1	76	4	NE	4	o	"	29.93	760.3	72	6	...	0	o
Tuguegarao	"	29.82	757.8	81	4	NW	2	o	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vigan	"	29.75	755.6	91	8	W	4	b	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Manila	"	29.75	756.5	81	8	SE	2	r	"	29.88	758.9	76	4	...	0	bc
Legaspi	"	29.78	756.3	81	8	ENE	2	c	"	29.86	758.5	79	6	NE	2	c
Calboyog	"	29.78	756.3	88	8	SW	4	c	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tacloban	"	29.78	756.3	88	8	SE	4	c	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Iloilo	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cebu	"	29.74	755.5	91	8	NNE	4	c	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Surigao	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Saipan	11.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Guam	12.22	29.83	757.6	...	6	E	6	b	4.22	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Yap	11.00	29.79	756.6	...	6	NE	4	c	5	29.84	758.0	...	6	ENE	4	c
Pelew	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Labuan	14	29.94	760.6	83	4	NE	4	bc	6	29.90	759.4	70	...	...	...	bc

March 30*d*. 10*h*. 50*m*.—The anticyclone has increased in intensity and appears to central over Shantung.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1, 4.70 inches, against an average of 6.04 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON MARCH 31.

District.	Forecast.
A.—Shanghai to Turnabout B.—Turnabout to Hong Kong C.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock D.—Hong Kong to Hainan Straits E.—North China Sea	N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy generally, local rain.

C. W. JEFFRIES, *Director.*

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, March 30.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	29.93	30.03	29.94
Temperature	67	62	65
Humidity	54	90	81
Wind—			
Direction	E	E	ESE
Force	4	4	4
Weather	C	OM	OM
Rain	0.00	0.0	.0

Highest open-air Temperature, 29 67
Lowest open-air Temperature, 30 61

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing Showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

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From March 31 to April 6, 1932.

Day of Week	Date of Month	High Water. Hong Kong Standard Time.	Height	Low Water. Hong Kong Standard Time.	Height
		h. m	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Thur.	31	03 49	4 3	09 52	4 2
		16 28	5 6	—	—
Fri.	1	08 40	4 5	00 58	1 1
		18 05	6 0	11 40	4 0
Sat.	2	08 52	4 7	01 40	1 2
		19 16	6 2	12 45	3 6
Sun.	3	09 09	5 0	02 14	1 1
		21 09	6 2	13 38	3 2
Mon.	4	09 25	5 3	02 39	1 5
		20 50	6 2	14 20	2 7
Tues.	5	09 44	5 6	03 00	1 7
		21 29	6 1	15 00	2 2
Wed.	6	10 04	6 0	02 30	1 9
		22 05	5 7	15 29	1 9

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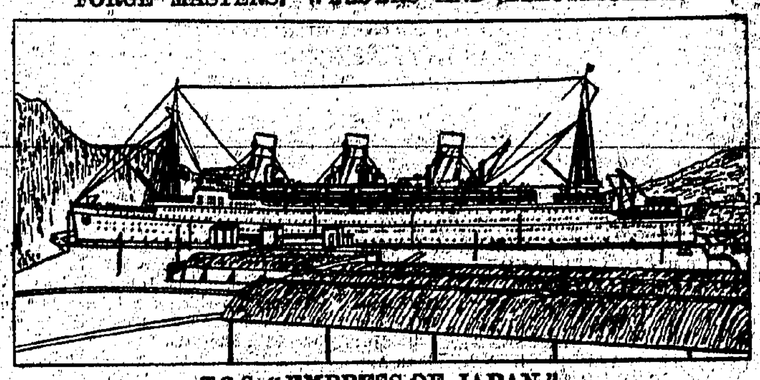

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KOBE via AMOY & OSAKA	"KUTSANG"	Sun., 17th Apr., at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	"YUSANG" "MAUSANG" "HINSANG"	Thurs., 31st Mar., at Noon Thurs., 31st Mar., at Noon Wed., 6th Apr., at Noon
TIENTSIN via SWATOW & CHEFOO	"CHIPSHING" "CHEONGSHING"	Sun., 3rd Apr., at 7 a.m. Wed., 13th Apr., at 7 a.m.
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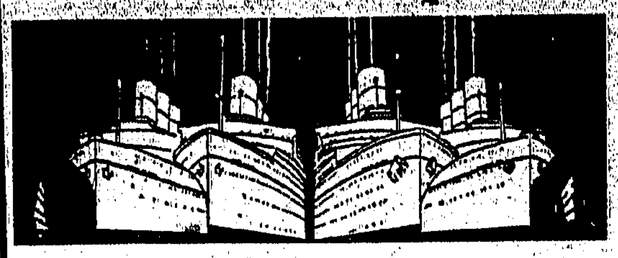

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Emp. of Japan	May 6	May 9		May 11	May 13	May 19	May 24
Emp. of Asia	May 20	May 23	May 24	May 26	May 28	June 4	June 10
Emp. of Canada	June 3	June 6		June 8	June 10	June 16	June 21
Emp. of Russia	June 17	June 20	June 21	June 23	June 25		July 4
Emp. of Japan	July 1	July 4		July 6	July 8	July 14	July 19
Emp. of Asia	July 15	July 18	July 19	July 21	July 23		Aug. 1
Emp. of Canada	July 29	Aug. 1		Aug. 3	Aug. 5	Aug. 11	Aug. 16
Emp. of Russia	Aug. 12	Aug 15	Aug. 16	Aug. 18	Aug. 20	Aug 27	Sept. 2
Emp. of Japan	Aug. 26	Aug. 29		Aug. 31	Sept. 2	Sept. 8	Sept. 13
Emp. of Asia	Sept 9	Sept. 12	Sept. 13	Sept. 15	Sept. 17		Sept. 26
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Daily Statement, Clearances, Ships in Harbour, etc.

YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORTS 12,868 TONS; THROUGH CARGO 23,295 TONS.

The returns, shown at the Harbour Office, of vessels carrying cargo to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

	Cargo for H.K.	Through Ports.
British		
Philactetes,		
Swansea	2,231	5,823
Tyndareus,		
Seattle	2,413	—
Perseus,		
V'vostock	12	13,405
Troilus,		
Liverpool	530	1,296
Nankin,		
Yokohama	—	1,403
	5,186	9,827
French		
G. Phillipar,		
Marseilles	198	4,095
F. Roussel,		
Yokohama	2	436
Tai Poo Sek,		
Ft. Bayard	700	—
	900	4,531
Dutch		
Tjikarang,		
Sourabaya	11,100	—
Tjibadak,		
Sourabaya	4,355	2,503
Van Heutsz,		
B. Deli	1,157	1,157
Tjidajoe,		
Sourbaya	—	2,190
	6,612	5,850
Norwegian		
Norviken,		
Canton	—	157
	—	157
Japanese		
Manila Maru,		
Singapore	1	6,690
Penang Maru,		
Yokohama	154	3,668
	155	10,358
Chinese		
Kunghing,		
Canton	10	1,570
	10	1,570
Total	12,663	23,295

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

Philactetes (Br.) Swansea	9
Tyndareus (Br.) Seattle	39
Troilus (Br.) Liverpool	365
Nankin (Br.) Yokohama	17
G. Phillipar (Fr.) Marseilles	9
F. Roussel (Fr.) Y'hama	8
Tai Poo Sek (Fr.) Ft. Bayard	123
Tjikarang (Dut.) Sourabaya	750
Tjibadak (Dut.) Sourabaya	876
Van Heutsz (Dut.) B. Deli	1,497
Kunghing (Chi.) Canton	12
Total	3,735

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

The arrivals and departures during the 24 hours ending at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

	Arr.	Dep.
British	5	8
French	4	2
Dutch	4	3
Norwegian	1	1
Japanese	4	2
Chinese	3	2
American	0	1
German	0	1
Total	21	20

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships were in port yesterday:—

Basin.—Tamar.
North Wall.—Whitshed, Seamew.
South Wall.—Bruce.
East Wall.—Herald, Pandora, Proteus.
North Arm.—Cumberland.
West Wall.—Hermes.
Dock.—Keppel, Wren, Bridgewater.
Taikoo Dock.—Moth.
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Buoy No. 6.—Devonshire.
Buoy No. 10.—Parthian.
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The following merchant vessels were in port yesterday:—

Wharves

Kowloon.—Sikiang, Franconia.
Holt's.—Troilus, Philactetus.
China Merchants.—Tai Poo Sek.
O.S.K.—Hozan Maru.

Docks.

Kowloon. — Bremerhaven, Yuan Jeng, Limchow, Kumsang, Haiyang.
Taikoo:—Tchekam, H.M.S. Devonshire, Linan, Hydrangea.

Buoys

No. A2.—Tatsuta Maru.
No. A3.—Manila Maru.
No. A4.—Pronto.
No. A5.—Tyndareus.
No. A7.—Nankin.
No. A9.—City of Bagdad.
No. A12.—Tjibadak.
No. A13.—Van Heutsz.
No. A14.—C.H. Riviere.
No. A15.—Hong Peng.
No. A16.—Lyeemoon.
No. A19.—Tjikarang.
No. B1.—Mausang.
No. B2.—Sandviken.
No. B3.—Kalgan.
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No. B9.—Marosa.
No. B10.—Helikon.
No. B11.—Hermod.
No. A12.—Hydrangea.
No. B13.—A. Sarraut.
No. B16.—Norviken.
No. B17.—G.G.M. Long.
No. B18.—Chungkong.
No. B19.—Bintang.
No. B22.—Yusang.
No. B23.—Menado Maru.
No. B24.—Feng Lee.
No. B25.—Suzonna II.
No. B26.—Cape St. Columba.
No. B29.—Goeunu Maru.
No. C1.—Mao Lee.
No. C2.—M. Jebsen.
No. C3.—Hiram.
No. C4.—Yuan On.
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March 29.

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City of Bagdad, British str., 4,713 tons, Capt. L. S. Jackson, from Manila; buoy No. A9.—Bank Line.

Benvorlich, British str., 3,221 tons, Capt. J. F. Meldram, from Singapore, buoy No. A5.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

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G.G. Maurice Long II., French str., 579 tons, Capt. H. Courgueux, from Ningpo, buoy No. B17.—Pakhoi & Co.

Kwangtung, British str., 1,572 tons, Capt. J. H. Hodgkiss, from Canton, buoy No. B14.—B. & S.

Hong Peng, British str., 2,525 tons, Capt. C. Cowan, from Swatow, buoy No. A15:—Ho Thong & Co.

Pronto, Norwegian str., 1,283 tons, Capt. Bj. Moller, from Saigon, buoy No. A4.—Lee Fung Heng.

Franconia, British str., 12,162 tons, Capt. G. Gibbons, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.—B. & S.

Lematang, Dutch str., 1,476 tons, Capt. G. J. J. Westers, from Tegal, Kowloon Bay.—J.C.J.L.

Hozan Maru, Japanese str., 1,383 tons, Capt. T. Kawamata, from Swatow, O.S.K. Wharf.—O.S.K.

Manila Maru, Japanese str., 5,919 tons, Capt. S. Hinokuma, from Singapore, buoy No. A3.—O.S.K.

Norviken, Norwegian str., 1,779 tons, Capt. F. E. Ulstad, from Canton, buoy No. B16.—J.C.J.L.

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Kaying, for Amoy.
Kung Ping, for Swatow.
Lematang, for Whampoa.
Lyeemoon, for Swatow.
Mao Lee, for Tientsin.
Manila, for Moji.
Menado Maru, for Takao.
Penang Maru, for Singapore.
Rousan Maru, for Newchwang.
Sandviken, for Swatow.
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Steamship	Tons.	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
* "MIRZAPORE"	6,700	1st Apr., 2 a.m.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
†‡ "BURDWAN"	6,500	2nd Apr., Noon	Mars., L'don., Havre, H'bg., R'dm., A'werp. & Hull
"CORFU"	15,000	9th Apr.	Marseilles and London.
"RAWALPINDI"	17,000	23rd Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"RANPURA"	17,000	7th May	do.
‡ "SOMALI"	6,800	14th May	Bombay, Mars., L'don., Havre, H'bg., R'dm., A'werp. & Hull.
"CHITRAL"	15,000	21st May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"RANCHI"	17,000	4th June	do.
†‡ "BANGALORE"	6,500	11th June	Bombay, Mars., L'don., Havre, H'bg., R'dm., A'werp. & Hull.
"NALDERA"	16,000	18th June	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KAISAR-I-HIND"	12,000	2nd July	do.
†‡ "BHUTAN"	6,000	9th July	B'bay., Mars., L'don., Havre, H'bg. R'dm., A'werp. & Hull.
"RAJPUTANA"	17,000	16th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London
"MANTUA"	11,000	30th July	do.
†‡ "SOUDAN"	6,800	6th Aug.	Bombay, Mars., L'don., Havre, H'bg., R'dm., A'werp. & Hull.
"RAWALPINDI"	17,000	13th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"RANPURA"	17,000	27th Aug.	Marseilles and London.
†‡ "BURDWAN"	6,500	3rd Sept.	Marseilles, London, Havre, H'bg., R'dm., A'werp. & Hull.
"MALWA"	11,000	10th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.

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"TALMA"	10,000	3rd Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TALAMBA"	8,000	16th Apr.	do.
"TAKADA"	7,000	1st May	do.
"SIRDHANA"	8,000	17th May	do.

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EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (SOUTH)

"NANKIN"	7,000	2nd Apr., 11 a.m.	Manila, Rabaul, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
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"TANDA"	7,000	3rd June	

Regular Monthly Sailings from Hong Kong to Shanghai and Japan and Hong Kong to Australia.

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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

* "SOMALI"	6,800	3rd Apr., Noon	S'hai., Kobe & Yokohama
"NELLORE"	7,000	4th Apr.	S'hai., Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'hama
"RANPURA"	17,000	7th Apr.	S'hai., Kobe & Yokohama.
"AKADA"	7,000	8th Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
"CHITRAL"	15,000	21st Apr.	S'hai., Kobe & Yokohama
"SIRDHANA"	8,000	22nd Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
* "BANGALORE"	6,500	30th Apr.	S'hai., Kobe & Yokohama.
"RANCHI"	17,000	5th May	do.
"TILAWA"	10,000	5th May	Amoy, S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Osaka
"TANDA"	7,000	6th May	S'hai., Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'hama
"SANTHIA"	8,000	19th May	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Y'hama
"NALDERA"	16,000	19th May	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
* "BHUTAN"	6,000	29th May	Shanghai, Kobe & Y'hama
"TALMA"	10,000	2nd June	Amoy, S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Osaka
"KAISAR-I-HIND"	12,000	2nd June	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
* "NANKIN"	7,000	6th June	S'hai., Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'hama
"RAJPUTANA"	17,000	16th June	S'hai., Kobe & Yokohama.
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"RAWALPINDI"	17,000	14th July	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
* "BURDWAN"	6,500	27th July	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"RANPURA"	17,000	28th July	S'hai., Kobe & Yokohama.
"MALWA"	11,000	11th Aug.	S'hai., Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"RANCHI"	17,000	25th Aug.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama

* Cargo only.

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.

All Cabins are fitted with Electric Fans or Punka Louvre Ventilation.

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M.V. "NAGARA"	5th May
M.V. "NANKING"	27th May
M.V. "TAMARA"	27th June

Outwards to:

SHANGHAI AND JAPAN PORTS.

	Sailing about
M.V. "NAGARA"	2nd April
M.V. "NANKING"	27th April
M.V. "TAMARA"	22nd May

Passenger Rates.	"A" Class.	"B" Class.
Hong Kong to Genoa	£57	£42
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CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

March 30, 1932.

ON LONDON:—	
Telegraphic Transfer	1/3⅜
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Bank Bills, 4 months' sight	1/3¼
Credits, 4 months' sight	1/4⅛
Documents, 4 months' sight	1/4⅛
ON PARIS:—	
Bank Bills, on demand	615
Credits, 4 months' sight	670
ON NEW YORK:—	
Bank Bills, on demand	24⅛
Credits, 60 days' sight	25⅛
ON BOMBAY:—	
Telegraphic Transfer / Bank, on demand	84⅞
ON CALCUTTA:—	
Telegraphic Transfer / Bank, on demand	84⅞
ON SHANGHAI:—	Tls. 74
Bank, at sight	$24⅝ dis.
ON YOKOHAMA:—	
On demand	71⅛
ON MANILA—On demand	48½
ON SINGAPORE:—	
On demand	55½
ON BATAVIA:—On demand	60½
ON HAIPHONG:—	
On demand	61¼
ON SAIGON:—On demand	
ON BANGKOK:—	
On demand	186
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	1/4⅛
BAR SILVER, per oz.	17 11/16

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Paid-up Capital ..... „ $2,572,600.00
Reserve Fund ..... „ $210,000.00
Total Resources ..... „ $18,469,430.57

Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.

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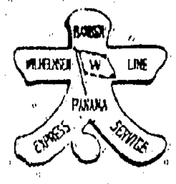

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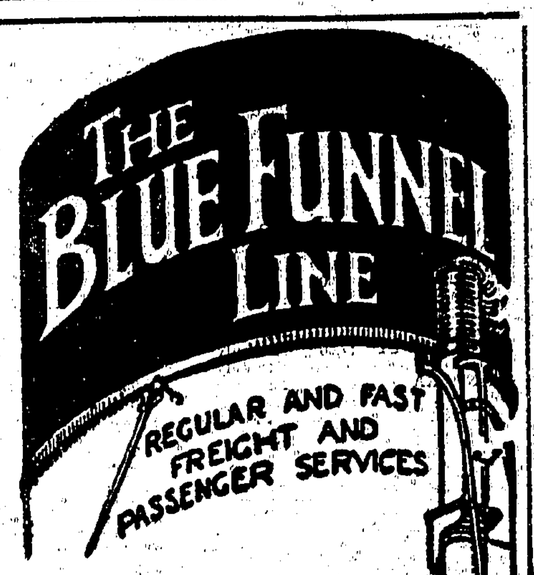

LONDON SERVICE.

"PATROCLUS" 13th Apr., For Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & Glasgow.
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Butterfield & Swire,
Agents. [6

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Authorised Capital $50,000,000
Issued & Fully Paid-up ... $20,000,000
Reserve Funds:—
Sterling £6,500,000
Silver $10,000,000

Reserve Liability of Proprietors $20,000,000

HEAD OFFICE: HONG KONG.

Board of Directors:
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Canton	Kuala Lumpur	Shanghai
Chefoo	London	Singapore
Dairen	Lyons	Sourabaya
Foochow	Malacca	Sungei Patani
Haiphong	Manila	Tientsin
Hamburg	Muar (Johore)	Tokyo
Hankow	Mukden	Tsingtao
Harbin	New York	Yokohama
Hongkew		

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened in LOCAL CURRENCY and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods in LOCAL CURRENCY and STERLING on terms which will be quoted on application.

Hong Kong, 30th Mar., 1932. [26

HONG KONG SAVINGS BANK.

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For the HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 27th Feb., 1932. [2

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Reserve Fund ... Gldrs. 40,015,000

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Banking Business of every description transacted.

A. STOKKINK,
Manager.

Hong Kong, 1st Dec., 1931. [30

THE BANK OF CANTON, LTD.

HEAD OFFICE: HONG KONG.

Hong Kong Currency.
AUTHORIZED CAPITAL ... $11,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL ... 8,665,600
RESERVE FUND ... 1,100,000

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LOCK POONG SHAN,
Manager.
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Reserve Liability of Proprietors ... £3,000,000

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HONG KONG		

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking Business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

J. STUART,
Manager.

Hong Kong, August 17, 1931. [30

BANQUE FRANCO-CHINOISE POUR LE COMMERCE ET L'INDUSTRIE

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	Frs.
Capital, fully paid-up	50,000,000
Special Working Capital	50,000,000
Reserves	33,337,000

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A. L. BRUSSET,
Acting Manager
Hong Kong, 9th March, 1932.

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(Established 1917.)

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Authorised Capital ...	Straits	$20,000,000
Issued „ ...	„	$8,000,000
Paid-up „ ...	„	$4,000,000
Reserve Liabilities of Shareholders ...	„	$4,000,000
Surplus ...	„	$2,937,800

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TAN ENG HOOI,
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Subscribed Capital ... £1,800,000
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J. B. ROSS.
Manager.
7, Queen's Road Central,
Hong Kong, 24th March, 1932. [29

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	Paris	
	Peiping	

Interest allowed on Current Accounts.

Deposits received for Fixed Periods at rates to be obtained on application.

H. MORI, Manager.
Hong Kong, Mar. 11, 1932. [35

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LTD.

ESTABLISHED 1918.

HEAD OFFICE:
10 Des Vœux Road, Central,
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CAPITAL AND SURPLUS ... ... OVER H. $8,000,000.00
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KAN TONG PO,
Chief Manager.

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Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
SHANGHAI and SWATOW	*Soochow*	31st Mar.
JAPAN	*Mitsupore* ...	31st Mar.
MANILA	*Pres. Madison* ...	1st Apr.
AMOY	*Talma*	1st Apr.
JAPAN and SHANGHAI	*Burutsun* ...	1st Apr.
JAPAN and SHANGHAI	*Asamaru Maru* ...	1st Apr.
CANADA, U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN and SHANGHAI (Vancouver, B.C. 12th Mar.)	*Emp. of Canada* ...	1st Apr.
STRAITS	*Somali*	2nd Apr.
EUROPE via NEGAPATAM (Letters only) London, 3rd March	*Hosang*	2nd Apr.
LONDON Parcels only London, 25th Feb. ...	*Antenor*	2nd Apr.
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN and SHANGHAI (San Francisco, 4th March) ...	*Pres. Harrison* ...	2nd Apr.
AUSTRALIA and MANILA	*Nellore*	2nd Apr.
EUROPE via NEGAPATAM (Papers only) London, 3rd March	*Suwa Maru* ...	3rd Apr.
JAPAN	*Arabia Maru*	4th Apr.
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN and SHANGHAI (San Francisco, 11th March) ...	*Pres. Hoover* ...	4th Apr.
JAPAN	*Ginyo Maru* ...	5th Apr.
JAPAN	*Brisbane Maru*	5th Apr.
CALCUTTA and STRAITS	*Takada*	6th Apr.
JAPAN and SHANGHAI	*Tango Maru* ...	7th Apr.
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN and SHANGHAI (Seattle, 19th March)	*Pres. Cleveland* ...	8th Apr.
JAPAN and SHANGHAI	*Corfu*	8th Apr.

OUTWARD MAILS.

REGISTERED and PARCEL MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

For	Per	Date and Time
		Thursday, 31st,
Swatow	*Kwangtung* ...	8.30 A.M.
Amoy	*Tjibadak* ...	10.30 A.M.
Straits	*Hong Peng* ...	10.30 A.M.
Sandakan	*Yusang*	10.30 A.M.
Amoy	*Luchow*	3.30 P.M.
Saigon	*Holsion*	4.30 P.M.
		—APRIL—
		Friday, 1st,
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow ...	*Haiching*	11.0 P.M.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and *EUROPE via Victoria B.C.—due Victoria B.C., 19th April	*Pres. Madison* ...	Par. 3.00 P.M. Reg. 4.15 P.M. Let. 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai and *EUROPE via Siberia ...	*Pres. Madison* ...	Reg. 5.00 P.M. Let. 6.00 P.M.
Tourane	*Chungkong* ...	5.0 P.M.
Manila	*Emp. of Canada* ...	5.00 P.M.
Manila, Rabaul, *Australia and *New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 19th April	*Nankin*	Par. 1st, 5.0 P.M. Reg. 2nd, 5.15 A.M. Letters 9.00 A.M.
*Straits, *Ceylon, *India, *Mauritius, *East and *South Africa, *Aden, *Egypt and *EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 1st May	*Kashima Maru* ...	*Kowloon P.O.* Reg. 1st, 4.30 P.M. Let. 2nd, 9.0 A.M. *G.P.O.* Reg. 2nd, 8.45 A.M. Letters 9.30 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and *South Africa, Egypt and EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 3th April	*Burdwan* ...	*Kowloon P.O.* Par. 1st, 4.30 P.M. Reg. 2nd, 9.00 A.M. Letters 10.00 A.M. *G.P.O.* Par. 1st, 5.00 P.M. Reg. 2nd, 9.45 A.M. Letters 10.30 A.M.
		Saturday, 2nd,
Japan	*Suwa Maru* ...	8.30 P.M.
Manila	*Pres. Harrison* ...	5.00 P.M.
Shanghai and *EUROPE via Siberia ...	*Gange*	5.00 P.M.
		Sunday, 3rd,
Bangkok via Swatow	*Kaiyuen* ...	9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	*Hoian Maru* ...	9.00 A.M.
		Tuesday, 5th,
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, and *South American Ports	*Arabia Maru* ...	10.30 A.M.
Swatow Amoy and Foochow ...	*Hai Ning* ...	2.00 P.M.
Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 18th April	*Brisbane Maru*	Parcels 2.00 P.M. Reg. 2.45 P.M. Letters 3.30 P.M.
Swatow	*Daviken*	5.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., *Canada, C. and S. America, and *EUROPE via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 27th April and *EUROPE via Siberia	*Tatsuta Maru*	Reg. 5th, 5.00 P.M. Let. 6th, 8.30 A.M.
		Friday, 8th,
		Kowloon P.O.
		Par. 8th, 4.30 P.M.
		Reg. 9th, 9.00 A.M.
		Letters 10.00 A.M.
		G.P.O.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 6th May	*Ourfu*	Par. 8th, 5.00 P.M.
		Reg. 9th, 9.45 A.M.
		Letters 10.30 A.M.
		Saturday, 9th,
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., *Central and *S. America and *EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 2nd May	*Tyndareus* ...	Reg. 9.15 A.M.
		Letters 10.00 A.M.

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